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Department of State
Washington Jany 20th 1844

To
William H Daingerfield Esqr
Minister Chargé d'Affaires
of the Republic of Texas &c &c

Sir

Herewith you will receive your commission as Minister Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas to the Governments of the Netherlands, Belgium and the Hanse towns, with your letters of credence to the two former Powers. Similar letters of credence will be furnished you for the Hanse towns previous to yr departure from the United States.

It is the desire of His Excellency the President that you should proceed with convenient speed to New Orleans and as soon as you accomplish the business with which you are already charged at that place, that you will proceed to the City of Washington and put yrself in communication with Mr Van Zandt our Chargé d'Affaires at that court. The ratification of the treaty lately concluded between Texas and the U States is also [illegible]with handed you, which you will deliver in person to Mr Van Zandt to whom instructions will be sent in relation to the exchange of the same. Should you deem it expedient you can delay two or three weeks in the City of Washington, from which place you will proceed to London or Paris and place yourself in communication with Dr Ashbel Smith our Chargé d'Affaires to those courts and be governed in the time of your delay at those times as circumstances may seem to you to render expedient. not exceeding one month.

Your recent connection with the Government, as one of the officers of the Cabinet has made you well acquainted with the details of its affairs and with the views and wishes of the President in all things connected with our foreign relations. You will thus be enabled to communicate to our Ministers abroad valuable information on these subjects and more satisfactorily than could be given in writing from this Department; and owing to their position at those several Courts, they will be well enabled to communicate to you very valuable information relative to the course of proceedings which should be adopted by you in carrying into execution the instructions you will receive from this department regarding the important and interesting negotiations which the President will confide to you in Europe.

At the expiration of the period above designated you will proceed direct to the Hague and present your letters of credence to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of his Majesty the King of the Netherlands. You will ascertain the wishes of that Government in relation to the extension of its diplomatic and commercial relations and assure it that the President of Texas would be pleased to receive a representative of his Majesty here for the furtherance of this object.

You will also suggest the propriety of the appointment by His Majesty the King of the Netherlands of a Consular agent or agents for this Country for the better protection of Dutch Commerce here.

Mr J L Heckemnath was last Spring appointed Texian Consul at Amsterdam and his commission forwarded him. The Department has never been advised of its reception of of the fact of Mr Hyckemnath having entered on his official duties. You will ascertain the circumstances &c & if you deem proper you can apply to the Government of his Majesty for the usual exequatur, if not you will recommend some suitable person to this Department for that office.

You will also receive herewith a commission for Mr Joshua I Crosswick as Consul of Texas for the port of Rotterdam upon which you will apply for an exequatur and when obtained forward it with the commission to Mr Crosswick with the necessary instructions for his government. Further detailed instructions will be sent you previous to your departure for Europe in relation to other matters connected with your mission.

You will keep this Department regularly and minutely advised of your proceedings and of every thing of interest which may occur at the Courts to which you are accredited.

You will also communicate direct with the Texian Chargé d'Affaires at the Courts of Great Britain France and the United States giving them information of [illegible] in their line of interest which may be [illegible] for them to known connected with the interest of Texas

I have the honour to be
With great respect
Your most obedt Svt
(Signed) Anson Jones

New Orleans Feby 14th 1843

Hon Anson Jones
Secretary of State &c &c
Sir

Having finished the business with which I was charged in the city of New Orleans by the instructions which I had the honour to receive from you at Washington I shall in obedience to the same instructions proceed immediately to the capital of the United States to put myself in communication with the Commandant and to deliver him the treaty entrusted to my care. I have the honour to remain very respectfully

Yr most obedt Svt
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Minister Chargé d'Affaires
&c &c &c

Washington City U States
March 10th 1843

Hon Anson Jones
Secretary of State &c
Sir

In my last communication of date New Orleans Feby 14th I had the honour [illegible] [illegible] that having [illegible] completed the business with which I was charged in that city I should in obedience to my instructions proceed immediately to Washington. This I did, but the Steamer Queen of the West in which I embarked, having been snagged and sunk near Shawneetown & the ice running very heavily in the Ohio I was notwithstanding all my exertions to reach here and my not delaying a moment on the route that I did not arrive in Washington until the day before yesterday. Within an hour after my arrival I delivered to the Hon Mr Van Zandt the treaty entrusted to my care which, fortunately, notwithstanding the many accidents and transhipments was found to be in perfectly good order. I also delivered to him the full copy of the Laws which I was directed to furnish him —

The Department of State is of course informed that the treaty has not been ratified by the Senate of the United States. This failure I am convinced not only by what I learn here but by information received previous to my arrival is the result of our own demagogical madness and diabolical insubordination at home. An entire want of confidence in the stability of our institutions, the result of our own folly and madness forbids the possibility at present of this treaty being ratified. All that [illegible] the most ardent [illegible] by the most untiring [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] in the [illegible] course [illegible] its [illegible], that I am convinced there [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

unchanged until a change be brought about by their own reformation –
Although I do not feel as sensibly as some others the evils which this failure of the treaty may give rise to, yet the stain which the causes of its rejection leaves on the escutcheon of my Country is to me like a wound to my own personal honour. In its blackness pale calculations of profit or loss from the commercial stipulations of the treaty are swallowed up and lost.
In accordance with my instructions I shall endeavour to convey to the Hon. Mr Van Zandt all the information in my possession with reference to matters at home. I shall await here the arrival of the full powers referred to in my instructions of date the 20th of January 1843 and mentioned in your private communication of the 13th of Feby which came to hand last night.
I have not yet seen the Belgian Minister but shall do so in a few days
I have the honor to remain

Yr most obdt servt
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires

Department of State
Washington February 20th 1843

To Wm Henry Daingerfield Esqr &c &c
Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas [illegible]
Sir

Enclosed you will receive [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Excellency [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cities of Bremen Hamburgh, Lubeck and Frankfort and a full power to treat with each of those cities respectively; and also with the Government of His Majesty the King of the Belgians and to conclude treaty of Amity Commerce and Navigation with them—

So soon therefore as you have fulfilled the instructions you have already had from the Department and in the event of a disposition being expressed on the part of the King of the Belgians to establish friendly and commercial relations with Texas, you are authorised to enter into a negotiation of a treaty of Amity Commerce and Navigation with that Government—
The basis of the treaty you will propose should be that of perfect reciprocity & similar in its provisions generally to the ones negotiated with Holland and France. In the event Belgium should wish to stipulate for a discrimination to be made in the ports of Texas for her manufactures of Linen and Fire-Arms; you are authorised to grant the same but only in consideration of some immunity of equivalent value to Texas.

It is very desirable to establish friendly and commercial relations with each of the Free Hanseatic Cities at as early a period as practicable, more particularly with Bremen and Hamburgh, between which places and Texas a considerable trade has been for some time carried on and from which even the mere fact of receiving a diplomatic [illegible] to the [illegible] by [illegible] from Germany. The cities of Lubeck, Franckfort are also of sufficient importance to make it the mutual interest of those cities and Texas to establish similar relations. You will therefore at the earliest convenient moment put yourself in communication with the Government of those cities and when received in your official capacity proceed to the effectuation of this object.

You can either agree to a commercial and consular arrangement, convention or formal treaty with the Hanse Towns as may seem most expedient to you and may be most in accordance with the use and practice of other nations in their intercourse with them.

The basis of perfect reciprocity will be observed by you in all these cases and the stipulations contained in the treaty between Texas and the Netherlands or France will be your guide generally in relation to all the details. Some small variations should circumstances seem to require, not touching the important principles of these treaties, may be made.

In all ~~cases~~ instances you will request the appointment of consuls to be made so soon as treaty stipulations are concluded and recommend suitable persons in Belgium and the Hanse Towns for appointment as such by Texas.

Perfectly aware as I am of your intimate knowledge of the affairs of Texas and of what will promote its interests as well as your acquaintance with the wishes and views of the Government

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in regard to the establishment of the relations which it is the object of yr mission to secure to Texas further or more detailed instructions are deemed unnecessary at the present time. Should you have occasion to refer to the Department for information in regard to any particular question concerning which you may need direction it will be immediately furnished you

I have the honor to
with the highest respect
Your Obt Svt
(Signed) Anson Jones

New York 16th May 1843

Hon Anson Jones
Secretary of State
Sir

I have the honor to inform you that after many delays and difficulties of a private and most unexpected nature I am at last about to sail this day on the Packet Ship Ville de Grace for Havre.

The Department is already advised of the receipt at the Legation in Washington of the full powers and instructions (dated Washington the Texas February 20th 1843) with reference to the contemplated treaties with the Kingdom of Belgium and the Hanse Towns. I have endeavored by every mode in my power to prepare the way for the full accomplishment of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I have been [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] it follow—

the instructions of the State Department.
From the Belgian Minister at Washington (U.S.) Mr Serruys, every possible kindness & facility tendered as I believe, not only by reason of his good dispositions towards Texas but from feelings of personal kindness and remembrance towards yourself to whom he begged to be most kindly presented. From that Gentleman and from others I have received such letters as I am inclined to think will facilitate my operations abroad. Hoping you will do me the favour to present me most kindly to His Excellency the President, with renewed expressions of high regard I remain very respectfully

Yr most humble Svt

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires &c

Paris. Hotel de Paris
12th June 1843

Mr Ed. Paravey
Texan Consul at Havre

Sir

Your kind favour of the 10th inst from Havre came to hand yesterday; I regret extremely not having seen you, for if I had known that the Hon Mr Smith was in London I should have remained in your city some days; But thinking according to the information obtained at the Texan consulate in London New York, that he was in Paris I came immediately here. I thank you for having informed me of the address of Mr Smith in London, and I have accordingly written to him to day, urging that I should await his arrival here.—

I also informed him of your attention in giving me his address. Accept Sir my thanks for your kindness in this matter and believe me to be very respectfully

Yr Obedt Servant

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affairs of Texas

Honble. Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
to the Netherlands, Paris

Sir Havre 10th June 1843

I was very sorry the other day when coming to town (I live in the Country) I found your card — I went to the Hotel de L'Europe immediately, but to my great disappointment you had left for Rouen in the Steamer, at least so I was told when I enquired. I sincerely regret the opportunity I have lost of making your acquaintance and tendering you my services in this place; but I trust you will freely make use of them whenever you may be pleased; I shall be happy to make myself useful or agreeable to you. This morning I have a letter from the Honble Ashbel Smith Texian Chargé d'Affaires to France, letting me know that should you arrive in Havre before his return from London I was to request you to meet him in London if possible, or he would join you at Havre and proceed to Paris with you; nothing of this can now be done as you have reached Paris; already — but I hasten to give you Mr Smith's address in London which is 3 St James's Street that you may be able to write to him should you wish it. Mr Smith will be in Paris

Paris early next month. I am with great respect Sir

Yr most obdt Servt
(Signed) Ed. Pasmey

Hon Ashbell Smith
Chargé d'affaires &c &c
Dear Sir

Paris Hotel de Paris
12th June 1843

I arrived here on the 5th of June and was much disappointed at not finding you in Paris. Mr Brower (the Texan Consul) in New York was of opinion that you were in Paris otherwise I should most probably have come to London. I did not see our Consul in Havre when I called upon him, but yesterday I received a most polite note from him giving me your address in London to which I hasten to ~~address~~ direct this letter. Mr Castro informs me this morning that you are daily expected here and that you have ordered your letters to be detained. I shall consequently delay asking for a personal interview. My communication is with regard to affairs at home; I have some papers and letters for you of no very great importance, and shall therefore retain them until I see you here which I hope will be as soon as your affairs at London will permit your departure. I am sir most sincerely your friend.

(Signed) W. Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c

London 3 St James Street
June 16th 1843

My Dear Sir

I have just received a

received yours of the 12th Instant from Paris. I am glad to welcome you in Europe. I write to our Consul at Havre to ask you to join me in London. I am sorry that I have made such arrangements and appointments official and private that I cannot conveniently leave London before the 1st of July. Can you not immediately on the receipt of this come to London. You would arrive here on the 21st. We should have ten days together here. We would then return to Paris in company & make such other arrangements as may seem best. It costs but a trifle more to travel than to remain stationary. So step into the Diligence or take the Rail way to London. Take a cab for 3 St James Street there enquire for my Lodgings, and come with your baggage at once and take your quarters with me. I have many things to say but defer all in the hope of soon meeting you. Very sincerely and truly yours

(Signed) Ashbel Smith

Hon Wm H Daingerfield
&c, &c, &c

You will doubtless see the Texas news brought by the last British Steamer. I have an interview to day with Lord Aberdeen and should be glad to see you in London before I leave in view of any new matter which you may suggest—

Hotel de Paris 17th June 1843

My Dear Sir

Your letter of the 14th inst reached me this morning. As you mention returning at so early a date as the 1st of July, I have determined to await your return here in Paris by that date. Thanking you for the welcome you [illegible] me to keep [illegible] here, [illegible] nothing since my arrival to [illegible] me regret and disappointment that your absence. Had I known that you were in London I would have joined you there; but I was informed that you were in Paris. This however will all be remedied as I stated before by my awaiting you here up to the time mentioned above; My pleasure at seeing you there great as it would have been under any circumstances will be enhanced by this temporary disappointment.

Hon Ashbel Smith
&c &c &c
3 St James St London

Truly yr friend
(signed) [illegible]

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3 St James street London
June 26th 1843

My Dear Sir

Mr E L Barnard of Texas now in London has made application through Mr Hockmuth our Consul at Amsterdam for the appointment of British Consul at Galveston — Mr Barnard wishes you to second his application on any proper occasion in such manner as you shall feel authorised to do. Mr Barnard brings me from Genl Houston a very special letter and commendatory letter of introduction which I have forwarded to Mr Hockmuth at Amsterdam. The acquaintance I have had with Mr Barnard in Europe has impressed me very favorably in his behalf. I very [illegible] [illegible] that you have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Esqr
&c &c &c

on some public meetings I mean on
subjects which concern Texas. You
are aware doubtless that the abolition
of Slavery in Texas is now agitated. Mr
S P Andrews of Houston is now in London
devising with the Quakers and others
the means of effecting that object. They
have had an interview with Lord Aber-
deen who assured them that the Govern-
ment of Great Britain would exert
all legitimate means to accomplish
this great end. I need scarcely say
to you that my opinions are quite
adverse to abolition. And I would
add that I have no belief that any
considerable European or either Bri-
tish emigration would thereby flow
into Texas as is promised even were
slavery abolished. I will not how-
ever attempt to consider this impor-
tant subject in a letter. My de-
parture from London is now delayed
until the 10th or 12th of July. Will you
have the goodness to enclose any letters
you may have for me or newspapers
in a strong envelope seal and
direct it to me officially with a memo
in the corner that they are from your
Chargé d'Affaires a La Haye and
ask Mr Pickford British Consul at
Paris No 39 Rue St Honore to forward
in the Ambassadors bag. This is entirely
correct and you need have no hesitation
whatever in making this request of Mr
Pickford as it is daily done by foreign
ministers. Do not fail to write to me at
the same time such tidings [illegible] very truly
yours (Signed) Ashbel Smith

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3 St James Street London
July 6th 1843

Hon Henry Wm Daingerfield
&c &c &c

Dear Sir

I have this morning received and run my eye over the package you sent me embracing your own very acceptable letter. My desire to join you in Paris is very great and I expect confidently to do so in the course of the next week. No private consideration would have detained me in London to the present time. While matters of so much public importance to our Country as the adopting of means in England to abolish Slavery among us have been occupying the attention of influential persons here including members of this Government I have been unwilling to leave London and especially as the principal inducement which will be held out from Europe to our Citizens for this purpose is and will be the immense influx of European emigrants into Texas upon the abolition of Slavery. Before taking so important a step we ought not only to look at the value of the proposed advantages but be also assured that these advantages will truly accrue. I have made careful inquiries concerning the emigration we may reasonably expect from Europe upon the Abolition of Slavery. Intelligent gentlemen themselves abolitionists strongly [illegible] to [illegible] to the very wild projects [illegible] emigration [illegible] me that even under the circumstances in question they do not believe we should receive any considerable augmentation from this country. This view and opinion and many others of the same general tenor I have communicated to Mr Andrews with whom I have had several full conferences. There are other important points connected with this subject on all of which I desire a full consultation with you — I have been and am willing here in Europe to consider every proposition upon it concerning Slavery though I need not intimate to you that I am not at all in favour of any plan of abolition yet proposed — Adding that I have many things to confer with about and being well aware how impatient you must needs be at Paris, I trust you will nevertheless continue to spend your time agreeably until my arrival next week. In regard to Burnley's application I am quite of your opinion though I think he made the same previously to your reaching Europe.

With great regard very truly & faithfully Yours
(Signed) Ashbel Smith

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3 St James's Street London Aug 11-1843

Hon. G. W. Terrell &c. etc. etc.

My dear Sir

I have this moment received your favour of the 9th inst. I am extremely rejoiced you are about to proceed to your Post at the Hague. It is not greater than mine to return to Paris and nothing but the importance of our interests which have needed watching at London would have kept me there so long. I am to day to present Mr Andrews by his request to Mr Addington undersecretary of State for Foreign Affairs, who has expressed to me his willingness to receive Mr Andrews. I have deemed best to do so as this course puts me in possession of the matters proposed to be treated of with the British Government to wit the abolition of slavery and authorises me to make at once a verbal protest agst all proceedings here in England in these premises. I saw Mr Andrews on Saturday and learned from him in general that the plan of abolition is maturing though he gave me no additional information touching its details. He is fully aware of my opinion on these matters and of my decided opposition to his projects. It is a source of great regret that I cannot have the benefit of your counsels at this time and I must also beg that you will not leave Paris until my arrival. When in Brussels and previously in Paris I had personally conferences with with Leopold and with Count Goblet d'Alviella the Belgian Minister for Foreign Affairs concerning the recognition of Texas by Belgium and I possess some information here on which you ought to know. Leopold is now in London and will proceed to Paris in a few days, whence I hope it [illegible] here for the [illegible]

Major Samuel Whitney a friend of yo
is in London, and will accompany
me to Paris. Do not leave till the
arrival of yours very truly
(Signed) Ashbel Smith

London 17th July 1843

My Dear Daingerfield

I am afraid that I shall not only exhaust your patience but wholly lose all my reputation for punctuality. You may positively rely on seeing me the present week. Major Whitney and myself will leave Wednesday or Thursday Evening. My protracted departure has been occasioned wholly by the importance of the abolition movements here which I have deemed deserving of careful attention on my part. I have seen Mr Addington and other Gentlemen but I will not bore you further on these and other matters until we meet. With great respect, yours very truly

(Signed) Ashbel Smith

Frankfort on the Maine
Hotel de Russie. 9th Sept 1843

To His Excellency Monsieur
Frederick de Meyer President
of the High Senate of Frankfort

Sir

I have the honour to inform your
Excellency that I am the bearer of a
communication from the Government of
the Republic of Texas to the Legislative

of the Free city of Franckfort touching certain matters of amity and commerce between the two Governments, which I shall be happy to deliver to your Excellency at such time as your Excellency may choose best to appoint. I avail myself of this opportunity the sentiments of High consideration with which I have the honour to remain yr Excellency's Most Obed^t Servant

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas to the Netherlands, Belgium & the Hanse-Towns

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A Monsieur Monsieur
Daingerfield Chargé d'affaires
de la Republique de Texas
demeurant a l'hôtel de Russie
en ville

Monsieur

En réponse a votre lettre de ce jour je vous prie de me faire l'honneur de me voir demain matin a dix heures a mon audience a l'hôtel de ville pour me remettre les communications de la part de la Republique de Texas.
Agreez Monsieur les assurances de ma haute consideration

Francfort ce 8. Sept (Signé) J. J. de Meyer
1843

Memorandum

Frankfort on the Maine, 9th September 1843
In accordance with the note of President de Meyer of yesterday, I called on him at 10 A.M. & formally delivered my full power & [illegible]

the Government of Texas; I expressed to him the desire of my Government to establish friendly relations with the authorities of the free city of Francfort, and to have resident therein a representative who would give direction to the emigration which under the Patronage of several of the nobles of Germany was beginning to set towards the shores of Texas. I stated to him that the Government of Texas was particularly desirous to encourage German emigration as the habits of German emigrants were those of industry economy and order — as was evident from their settlements in many of the most prosperous agricultural districts of the United States — That in order the better to attain this object my Government would be pleased to appoint some worthy citizen of the good city of Francfort as Consular Agent. To this he replied. That he would with great pleasure ~~try~~ submit the communication of the Government of Texas to the Senate which would meet within three days and that he would then in as short a time as possible make known to me the answer of that body; that if my affairs required that I should repair to the Hague, he would send the answer of the Senate to that place. —

I replied that perhaps it would be as well to empower Mr Vincent Rumpff who is the representative of the Hanse towns at Paris to make such arrangements as would be of a general character in relation to all the free cities of Germany — With this the interview ended —

Francfort on the Maine. 11th Sept 1843

I called this morning at the Hôtel de ville to take leave of the President of the High Senate of Francfort. Requested him to send the Answer of the Senate to the communication of the Government of Texas to my address at the Hague. His Excellency remarked that as to all Commercial matters the authorities of Francfort were subject to the determinations of the "Zoll ver Rein" at the head of which stood Prussia, and his Excellency advised me to address myself to the Government at Berlin — I replied that I was aware that such was the state of the case, but was desirous of knowing whether the Permission of the Senate of Francfort, for the establishment in that city of a Consular representative of the Republic of Texas, would or would not be available — His Excellency replied that it would — With the understanding that the determination of the Senate would be communicated to me at the Hague at as early a date as it could be obtained I took my leave of His Excellency —

The Hague. 23rd Sept 1843
Hôtel de L'Europe

To His Excellency Baron
Schimmelpenninck
Minister of Foreign
Affairs etc etc etc

The Undersigned has the honor to inform His Excellency Baron —

de Schimmelpenninck that he has arrived at the Hague as Chargé d'Affaires of the Government of the Republic of Texas near the Government of his Majesty the King of the Netherlands — The undersigned would be happy to be informed at what time it would be agreeable to his Excellency to receive the letters of credence of which the undersigned has the honour to be the bearer —
The Undersigned avails himself of this opportunity to express to his Excellency the assurances of his distinguished consideration —

(Signed). Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires
of the Republic of Texas

Monsieur Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires de la
République de Texas

La Haye le 23 Septembre 1843

Le Soussigné Ministre de l'Interieur, chargé par Interim des fonctions du Ministre des Affaires Etrangères, s'empresse de porter à la connaissance de Monsieur Wm Henry Daingerfield en réponse à sa lettre de ce jour, qu'il aura l'honneur de le recevoir Lundi prochain le 25 Septembre à trois heures après midi à l'hôtel du Ministère des Affaires Etrangères —
Le Soussigné saisit cette occasion pour offrir l'assurance de sa considération distinguée

(Signé) Schimmelpenninck

The Hague 25th September 1843
Hotel de l'Europe

To His Excellency Baron
Schimmelpenninck Minis-
ter of For. Aff. etc. etc

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Government of the Republic of Texas hastens to express to his Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck Minister of Foreign Affairs his respectful request to be admitted to the honour of a presentation to his Majesty the King of the Netherlands and prays his Excellency to communicate to him the Royal pleasure on the subject. The undersigned avails himself of this occasion to express to his Excellency the assurance his distinguished consideration.

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
etc etc etc

Monsieur Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires
de la Republique de Texas

La Haye 28th Sept
1843

Le Soussigné Ministre de l'Interieur chargé par interim des fonctions de Ministre des Affaires Etrangères a l'honneur de porter a la connaissance de Monsieur Daingerfield Chargé d'Affaires de la Republique de Texas en réponse a sa note du 25 de ce mois que Sa Majesté le Roi le recevra Vendredi, le 29 Septembre a dix heures et demie du Matin. Le Soussigné saisit cette occasion pour offrir a Monsieur Daingerfield l'assurance de sa considération distinguée.

Signé Schimmelpenninck

The Hague. Sept. 23rd 1844
Legation of Texas

To The Hon Anson Jones
Secretary of State
etc – etc – etc

The last communication which the undersigned had the honour to address your Excellency was dated Paris 31st July 1843 — Immediately after that date the undersigned left Paris and being assured that it was a season of the year at which almost the entire diplomatic corps at the several Courts were "en voyage" a custom which has been more observed this ~~ye~~ summer than usual in consequence of the Royal Examples of the Queen of England, the Emperor of Russia and the King of Belgium — the last of whom has been absent from his Capital nearly all the summer the Undersigned determined to pass by Francfort on the Maine and whilst he delivered the letters of Credence with which he was charged to the High Senate of that City to give an eye to movements of a Society formed for the purpose of encouraging emigration to Texas and which [illegible] said numbered among its members a large portion of the Higher Princes and Nobility of the Smaller German States —

The letters of Credence of the Undersigned to the Minister of

Frankfort was delivered to the President [illegible] the Federal Diet by the Mayor, who whilst he received them most graciously, assured the undersigned that the [illegible] commerce of Frankfort [illegible] such city under the head quarters of the Continental Bankers was very small and that as to all matters touching this commerce the free city formed part and parcel of what is termed the Zoll. Verein or German Customs union at the head of which is Prussia; that the undersigned had been previously informed, but however before reaching the city of Frankfort and prior to his conversation with the Burgomaster, that gentleman however promised to lay the matter before the Senate at their first meeting which would occur in some weeks and to send their answer to the undersigned at the Hague; the understanding was mutually had between the Burgomaster and the undersigned that although a treaty on the part of the free city might not be [illegible] as a power, separate and distinct from the [illegible] of the Zoll. Verein or [illegible] yet that some arrangement might be made by which the appointment of [illegible] on the Port of Texas and Frankfort might be [illegible]

The undersigned is convinced that the appointment of a Consul of [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

that your [illegible]

there is a deep and pervading interest ta[illegible]
by the German States in the Emigration th[illegible]
to and that of that interest which [illegible]
now exhibits itself in almost daily act[illegible]
in the German Gazettes, is [illegible]
tion, that the ground of that action [illegible]
be found in [illegible] the head [illegible]
of the Aristocracy with the ~~[illegible]~~ a[illegible]
other Princes the real Sovereigns of
Ger &c

The Undersigned, in doing that wh[illegible]
further could be [illegible]
on the [illegible]
deemed his duty to the country, a[illegible]
of the character & [illegible] of
the Society in the promotion of Emigra[illegible]
tion from Germany to Texas, [illegible]
ing to ready making at [illegible] —
When a [illegible]
Prince of Solms, [illegible] Count of [illegible]
and Prince Count [illegible] Castell [illegible]
members of the Society the undersig[illegible]
had learned that the Society was call[illegible]
the Society for the Protection of German
Settlers in Texas and consisted of [illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible]
Prince of [illegible]
Prince [illegible]
[illegible]
Charles of [illegible] the [illegible]
the [illegible]
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[illegible] of [illegible]
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[illegible] with the Duke of Nassau a very wealthy Prince, who is on the eve of a matrimonial alliance with the Emperor of Russia, Prince Charles of Solms the two Counts of Leiningen and Count Charles of Castell —

During the stay of the undersigned at Mayence Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne arrived from Paris for the purpose of negotiating a sale of his contract to this Society and as the undersigned was informed just before his departure succeeded in doing so. But as both parties evinced a decided repugnance to the undersigned knowing any thing of their arrangements, he confined himself strictly to giving all the information with regard to Mr Bourgeois's grant which the society desired for the purpose of enabling them correctly to understand its position, character of soil title etc etc —

The undersigned felt disposed to encourage the purchase of this grant by the Society above named for two reasons. The 1st because in Bourgeois hands ~~the~~ the undersigned is convinced it must remain an idle suspension useless to him and useless, because fettered, to the Government. The 2nd because the undersigned deemed the purchase an entering wedge to still further speculation on the part of the aristocracy and an earnest of their ability and intention to do more, showing a reluctance on the part both of this company and of Bourgeois d'Orvanne to take the undersigned into their counsels he [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] out such remarks as to the character of the country in which the grant lies as would afford a correct idea of its advantages as to fertility and position, and public condition as to former locating. In fine the Undersigned restricted himself to the performance of what he deemed his duty so that the Gentlemen of that Association might not have it to say that they were misled or deceived in the presence and hearing of an accredited agent of the Government of Texas —

The Undersigned endeavoured to obtain from the active members of the Society as accurate an Idea as possible of their future plans and intentions the result of which was a list of the members of the Society containing the names herein enumerated and a proposition on their part in writing signed by the authorized Agt of the Society of which the following is a copy (Here was inserted a copy of the original which is marked "Proposition of the Society for the Protection of German Emigrants" Mentz [illegible]ptember 14th 1843 —) Such are the arrangements into which this Society is desirous of entering given in their own language and on their own terms, without any modification or change on the part of the Undersigned, his desire being that as this was the first offer they should be left perfectly free to express their own ideas and have them placed in their own way — & their ability to carry out any contract which they may undertake the Undersigned had not the slightest doubt or question of their strong desire to enter into some arrangement with the Government of Texas, he is equally persuaded.

In submitting these views to your Excellency the Undersigned would most respectfully suggest his being vested with powers touching this matter, to such an extent and in such form as to the Government of Texas may seem best — With regard to the proposed Loan of a million of dollars the Undersigned is led to believe that the attention of the Society was directed thereto by some proposition on the part of Mr Bourgeois to transfer to it the authority given to him by the Republic of Texas to make the negotiation — The Undersigned is convinced that the negotiation of a Loan in Europe unconnected with some stipulations which shall grant to the party guaranteeing its repayment (whether that party be a nation, a Society or an individual) some advantages in trade or some concession of Land is impossible — Concessions of Land seem to the Undersigned more simple and easy in their operation, free from the objection of hazarding a disturbance of the course of commerce and of more easy application to an Association or an individual than immunities in trade; But the Idea has become so very prevalent that these concessions are of easy acquisition in Texas that they are not considered valuable. If your Excellency shall deem it advisable to to inform the Undersigned to treat with the [illegible] an Association, [illegible] —

either of the proposed questions of a concession of Lands or the negotiation of a Loan — the Undersigned will gladly bring to the allotted task all the information and personal influence which it has been his constant aim to obtain and conciliate ever since his arrival in Europe.

The Undersigned has not as yet made any direct advances towards the Government of his Majesty the King of the Belgians, nor formally that of the free Cities of Germany, with the exception of that of Francfort, because upon consultation at Paris with the Hon Ashbel Smith it was agreed that the chances of an advantageous negotiation with both would be increased by a little delay not only by reason of the improving condition of the affairs of Texas, but also of those of the United States with which country we are closely identified in the European mind. As a still further motive for delay the Undersigned before he entered upon the negotiation was anxious to obtain from your Excellency more specific instructions as to how far in case of a guarantee being offered of our Bonds by Belgium or one of the Hanse towns commercial advantages might be offered either of them. The Undersigned would respectfully suggest that in case he should be authorized to enter into any negotiation with the necessity for the protection of German emigrants to the

Texas, and indeed in any event that he should be provided with letters of credence and full powers to the Courts of Austria and Prussia, both of which exercise a most important influence over all the smaller German States and the standing at the head of the German customs Union—
The Undersigned is convinced that there is an interest awakened in Germany on the subject of Texas which may be fostered into the most advantageous consequences

The Undersigned has received at the hands of the Hon. Christopher Hughes Chargé d'Affaires of the U. States at the Hague, every possible manifestation of civility and kindness and on this as on all other occasions that Gentleman has shown himself the loyal and sincere friend of Texas. The Undersigned attributes his prompt and warm reception by the Minister of Foreign Affairs and his early presentation to His Majesty the King of the Netherlands, by that functionary to the part which the Hon. Mr. Hughes was pleased to take in preparing and interesting the mind of his Excellency as to Texas— Indeed in the interview here to fore alluded to the Baron de Schimmelpenninck led the Undersigned so to understand

The Undersigned will endeavour to procure, in obedience to the instructions of Yr Excellency, the appointment of a diplomatic Agent to Texas on the part of his Majesty the

King of the Netherlands. But such are the difficulties of a pecuniary character with which this Government finds itself at this moment beset that the Undersigned cannot indulge in any great hopes of success. The present moment would not be a propitious one for urging any matter even though of minor importance as both the Offices of foreign Affairs and finance are held under "ad interim" appointments.

The Undersigned avails himself of this occasion to renew to His Excellency the Secretary of State the assurances of his most distinguished consideration

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Minister Chargé d'Affaires
etc — etc — etc

N.B. This despatch was handed in person to Mr J. J. Crooswick Consul at Rotterdam to be sent to London in time for the Steamer of the 4th Octr 1843

To Mr J. L. Hirschenuitte.
Consul of Texas at Amsterdam

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 10th Octr 1843

Sir

I am enjoined by His Excellency the Secretary of State of Texas that time since has elapsed since a Commission ^for you as consul^ of that Republic for the Port of Amsterdam has been forwarded to you at that city — His Excellency further informs me that, at the date of his letter (2d January 1843) he had not yet been advised of your acceptance of the same, [illegible] if you [illegible] entirely on the duties of the Consulship. I would be glad if at your earliest convenience you would give me information on both of these subjects. I avail myself of this occasion to assure you of the consideration with which I have the honor to remain.

Yr Obed.t Sert
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires etc—

Legation of Texas at the Hague
13th Oct. 1843

J. L. Herckenrath.
Consul at Amsterdam
Sir

Yours of the 11th in answer to mine of the 10th Inst. has been received, and I have the honour to answer the suggestions and enquiries therein contained by stating that I do not succeed the Hon Ashbel Smith but that that gentleman continues as formerly to be the Accredited Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas to the Courts of France and England, whilst I am accredited to this Court, where my Government has never had until my arrival a diplomatic ~~Agent~~ Resident; consequently I shall have the honour in future of corresponding with you as to all matters touching yr consular duties at Amsterdam. The letter which you addressed to his Excellency the Secretary of State of Texas, a copy of which you have sent me, must have miscarried, or its reception would surely have been acknowledged, and his Excellency the Secretary of State would have timely been informed of your having obtained yr Exequatur as Consul from his Ma=

jesty the King of the Netherlands. As it is I shall hasten to inform my Government of all the circumstances of this affair in reference to which I cannot perceive that you are in any manner in default.

I had supposed you already furnished with a copy of the "General instructions for the Government of the Consular and Commercial Agents of the Republic of Texas, which is printed in pamphlet form and which contains the details of the duties, fees, remuneration, etc. etc. of the Consuls of the Republic — If it were in your hands by reference to the "29th Page 9th Section" your enquiries as to the Expenses of Postage, would be answered. As you have it not I shall be most pleased to furnish you with a copy and will hand it to you in person should you visit the Hague, or I will send it to you by any opportunity you may be pleased to suggest. It will afford me great pleasure to state to my Government the earnest zeal and interest which you appear to have manifested in calling the attention of the People of the Netherlands to the advantages which the Republic of Texas presents for Emigration and Commerce and my full confidence that your exertions in that regard will continue to be made manifest. Whilst I feel confident that what you have already done will meet the approbation of my Government I am fully satisfied that your future conduct will be as meritorious as your past. I avail myself of this opportunity to express to you the consideration with which I am, etc etc etc

(Signed.) Wm Henry Daingerfield
etc — etc — etc

Legation of Texas at the Hague
11th October 1843

To His Excellency Baron de
Schimmelpenninck van der Oye van der Poll
Minister etc. etc. etc.

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas had the honour to acknowledge the note of His Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck van der Oye van der Poll, announcing the appointment of Lieutenant General de la Sarraz as His Majesty's Minister of Foreign Affairs and the consequent removal of His Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck from the ad interim administration of that Department. The undersigned most gratefully acknowledges the repeated acts of courtesy and kindness which he has received at the hands of His Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck van der Oye van der Poll during his ad interim administration of the Foreign Office, and cannot suffer this occasion to pass without expressing the deep sensibility with which they have affected him. The undersigned avails himself of this occasion to renew to His Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck the assurances of his most distinguished consideration. (Signed) William Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires etc etc

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 11th Oct 1843

To His Excellency Lieutenant
General de la Sarraz
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas has the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the Note of His Excellency Lieutenant General de La Sarraz, announcing the retirement of Baron Verstolk van Soelen from the administration of the Department of Foreign Affairs and the appointment of His Excellency Lieutenant General de La Sarraz to that Office.

The undersigned rests in the most confident assurance that the good feelings and kindness which he had the honour to experience at the hands of the late and estimable Minister of Foreign Affairs will be continued on the part of His Excellency Lieutenant Gen. de La Sarraz, whilst the undersigned assures His Excellency that nothing shall be wanting on his part to extend and strengthen the friendly relations now so happily existing between his Majesty's Government and that of the Republic of Texas. The undersigned avails himself of this opportunity to express to his Excellency the assurances of his distinguished consideration.

(Signed) Wm. Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires

Legation of the Republic of Texas, The Hague
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[illegible]
[illegible]

Sir

I have the honor [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

pligences the accompanying copy of Circular & the instructions - You may rest assured that your conduct as Consul of the Republic shall be represented to my Government in the light it deserves and that it will receive its entire approbation. I cheerfully accord to you my entire satisfaction with all your official acts and trust that you will continue yr. good offices towards the Republic I shall be most happy to see you when you shall come to the Hague and I have the honor to renew the assurances of my consideration.

(Signed) W. Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 21st Octr 1843

Mr Henri Castro.
Antwerp.

Sir

Your private note of the 18th inst informing me of the intended departure of the Jean Key from Antwerp on the 25th of this month with Emigrants for your Colony in Texas has been received; I thank you for yr offer to forward by this opportunity letters or packages which I may have for Texas but I have none at present which I would wish to send by that opportunity - You also inform me of yr intention to despatch on the 15th & 30th of November two vessels with the same object as the Jean Key As the last named vessel sails from Belgium and the other two probably also as you inform me to be despatched from the same Country by [illegible] deem it my duty to urge upon you in the strongest possible manner the absolute necessity of attending to the proper provisioning of the Emigrants & to their being properly furnished with supplies not only for the voyage but for a reasonable time after their arrival in the Country to which they are destined. And I protest in the strongest possible terms agst your sending of the present Emigr or any other unless all due and necessary arrangements are made for their reception and support at Galveston after their arrival and until they shall be settled on the Lands they are intended to colonize — I make this protest because the embarkation takes place within a territory confided to the charge of my legation & because it consequently becomes my solemn duty to attend to all matters happening within its limits connected with the Republic of Texas, and because unless proper arrangements are made and such as will be satisfactory to the Emigrants and insure their comfort after their arrival the manner in which the undertaking is carried out will be injurious to all future enterprises of a similar character emigrating to Texas by giving the Country a bad reputation abroad — & no advantage to you because the Emigrants will [illegible] [illegible] their disappointment and give [illegible] [illegible] inevitable

able to count them in your contract only as a friend but not the least cogent reason, because it would be cruel and unjust to the poor creatures themselves, to be thrown upon the shores of a distant and strange Land, without any provision having been made their maintenance until such a period as they shall be able to support themselves— These remarks on my part are the result of information which I have received that the first number of Emigrants you sent were in a destitute condition—

I have no late news from Texas, but am in daily expectation of advices when I shall be pleased to communicate any thing of interest which I may learn— I have the honour to remain most respectfully yr obt servt

Signed. Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires etc. etc.

Mr Henri Castro
at Antwerp

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 24th Oct 1843

Sir

Your letter dated Antwerp the 21st inst has just been received; My answer to it shall be as brief as I trust you will find it explicit. The charge you bring agt me of hostility to yr enterprise, is a very serious one; It comprises nothing less than the accusation of sacrificing my high duties as the representative of my country to feelings of private interest or personal resentment; There are some accusations so intrinsically absurd and improbable that one would [illegible] [illegible] in the ridiculous and degrading position

which a denial and refutation of the en-
would compell us to agree; Excuse me
if I consider this charge as one of that na-
ture; But without entering into a denial
or refutation it is proper that I should
state, that the immense advantages
to be derived from the success of your en-
terprise to the landed interest which I
possess in the neighbourhood of San An-
tonio, is or ought to be a sufficient gua-
rantee that I have deeply at heart the
full and complete performance of your
contract for Colonization in the County
of Bexar— As to yr enemies, if you have
any they have never spoken to me
about you since my arrival in Europe
and if they had I trust I have good sense
enough, not to give more value to the
words of malice and ill will than they
deserve. As to the intimation that the su-
perior knowledge of the Hon Ashbel
Smith of the State of your contracts
rendered it proper that he should take
the initiative in the course of caution and
advice which I have deemed it my duty
to adopt towards you I have only to say
that as I was from a sense of delicacy
guardedly silent ~~with regard~~ as to all matters
connected with your enterprise ~~and~~ trans-
piring within the limits of the Kingdom
of France so I am sure Mr Smith would
be equally [illegible] would maintain a
like silence as to those of a similar
nature within the limits of Holland
or Belgium considering them as being
under my charge and direction. That
[illegible] Mr [illegible] Secre-
[illegible]

a communication which had no other object than that of putting you on your guard against difficulties which may render all your labours useless, and prevent your reaping the reward of exertions which I have no doubt have been great, and expenses which must have been considerable. I regret that what was intended not only as the fulfillment of an official duty on my part but as an act of personal kindness towards you should be so misconstrued. In order to remove all possible misapprehension on your part of the feelings of good will which I entertain towards you and to manifest my sincere desire that your enterprize should be eminently successful permit me to assure you that nothing would give me greater pleasure than a personal interview with you at this place, and I trust that you will find time enough to visit the Hague before you return to Paris. I have the honor to remain

(Signed). Yrs etc.-etc.- Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires etc – etc.

To
Mr Henri Castro. Paris.
Legation of Texas at the Hague. 8th Jany 1843

Sir

Your letter of the 6th instt came to hand this day. Believing you perfectly correct the assurance that I [illegible] my [illegible] and you shall have all the aid in the fulfilment of your contract of Colonization with the Republic of Texas. The plan on which you [illegible] that the [illegible] [illegible]

despatch; it appears that you have your=
self submitted it to that gentleman
in your letter to him from Antwerp
with an extract of which you have
favoured me. I shall not fail to ex=
press to the Secy of State my conviction
that emigration would be greatly in=
creased by the adoption of such an
arrangement. I am not sure that in
order to carry it out an act of Cong=
would not be necessary. Of this how=
ever the Secretary must be the judge.
I hope to meet you in Antwerp about
the 15th of this month on my way to
Brussels. I was informed by a letter
from Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne dated
Paris, October 2nd that he had concluded
an arrangement with a German Company
for working his contract of colonization
in Texas. Mr B did not see fit to inform
me of the particulars of the arrangement
and I am in entire ignorance of them.
Whilst in the City of Mayence in Sept.
last, I was informed that an arrange=
ment of the character above mentioned
was in the [illegible] in that City before
it was concluded, and I have not been
able either at that time or since to obtain
any information as to its details. The
views of the Govt of Texas as to the coloniza=
tion, as to the propriety of which you
make a question in your last letter
must I think be in a great mea=
sure depend on the terms of the con=
tract of colonization. I have never exam=
ined one of these contracts and am conse=
quently not sufficiently informed as to the de=
tails [illegible] you [illegible] written

at hand and thereby, on the renewing of said tract is continued, nothing fore-bidding an alienation. My own opinion is that you are perfectly free to dispose of it. The great object of the Govt of Texas in making these contracts was to promote immigration whether that immigration is obtained by the single efforts of the contractor or by the joint aid of other individuals is a matter which I think would be indifferent to the Govt.

Permit me to put under your Cover a letter to Mr Ashbel Smith, and to beg of you the favour to forward it to his address if he is not in Paris. Availing myself of this opportunity of expressing to you my high consideration I remain etc etc (Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield

Chargé d'Affaires etc. etc

Legation of Texas at the
Hague, 10th Octr 1843

To His Excy
Baron Schimmelpenninck
Minr of Foreign Affrs

The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas has the honor to transmit to his Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Commission of Mr Johan I. [illegible] as Consul of the above mentioned Republic for the Port of Rotterdam, upon which Commission the Undersigned most respectfully requests that an Exequatur may be granted. The undersigned has the honor to state to his Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck that Mr [illegible] is a resident citizen of Rotterdam, a subject [illegible] generally [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]

Netherlands. The undersigned avails himself of this occasion to renew to his Excellency Baron Schimmelpenninck the assurances of his most distinguished consideration.

(Signed). Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires etc.

La Haye le 1 Novembre 1843

Le soussigné Ministre des affaires Étrangères a l'honneur de faire parvenir ci-joint à Monsieur Daingerfield, Chargé d'Affaires de la République de Texas, en réponse à l'office qu'il a bien voulu adresser au [illegible] courant des Affaires Étrangères, la lettre de l'Exequatur pour Mr S. Schimmelpenninck en qualité de Consul de Texas à Rotterdam, et de lui renvoyer en même temps la lettre qui contenait cette nomination. Le soussigné profite de cette occasion pour renouveler à Monsieur Daingerfield l'assurance de sa considération distinguée.

(Signé) De la Sarraz

Legation of Texas at the
No. 112 Hague 6th November 1843
[illegible] Schimmelpenninck
Consul of Texas at Rotterdam

Sir

Since the [illegible] that his Excellency [illegible] Minister of Foreign Affairs [illegible] of the Republic of Texas [illegible] the Exequatur [illegible] His Majesty the King of the Netherlands [illegible]

[illegible]

assured that you will omit nothing which may appertain to the duties of the office entrusted to yr care. I have the honour to remain yr obedient servant

Signed. Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires, etc – etc

Legation of Texas at the
To Count Charles   Hague 8th November 1843
de Castell – Mayence

Monsieur Le Comte

I have the honour to forward to yr address by the same mail with this letter containing a translation in the Dutch language of a letter written to the London Times from Galveston in September or October last – I send it to you because it contains the latest information from Texas.

In my last despatch to my Government, dated at the Hague the 25th Sept. last I communicated the propositions of the Society for the protection of German Emigrants to Texas which were contained in the documents which I had the honour to receive at Mayence in September last on the part of that Association at the hands of yourself, Prince Charles Solms & Count Victor Leiningen. I have as yet received no answer thereto but daily expect one. A letter from Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne dated Paris, the [illegible] informs me that he has concluded an arrangement with the "Society". In the event of this being so, would the gentlemen who are members of the Society have any objection to informing me of the terms of their arrangement with Mr Bourgeois? I shall be most happy to hear from you or [illegible] either will send me at

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the Hague. My most respectfull compliments to Count Victor and Prince Charles and accept for yourself the assurance of the distinguished consideration with which I have the honour to be, Yr most Obedient Servt

Signed Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires. etc-etc

Legation of Texas at the
Hague November 11th 1845

To Mr. J. J. Oirsnick
Consul of Texas at Rotterdam

Sir

Conformably at yr. request I send you yr commission and Exequatur, by mail — You will find in the Amsterdam journal of the 7th a translation of a letter to the London Times. Mr. Eikenrath the Texan Consul at Amsterdam procured its translation and insertion. Can you not have it copied into some journal at Rotterdam — Articles of this description are of eminent service to the Republic of Texas, and well deserve being inserted in the journals — In my despatch of this date to the Secretary of State (Texas) I have made due mention of the interest and zeal which you have manifested in the discharge of your duties — I am gratified in conveying to you the assurance of confidence and esteem with which I have the honour to remain, yr. Obedt Servt

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield

Hon. A. Smith
Chargé d'Affaires of
Texas at Paris

Legation of Texas at the
Hague November 8th 1843

Sir

I [illegible] to you [illegible] [illegible] that I [illegible] specially [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] which might at least be worth the pieces of paper &c. not the experience of Diplomacy since my arrival here in fact since my landing on the shores of Europe I have not heard a line from the Secretary of State nor indeed from any one connected with the Government at Washington. It is my instructions are of such a nature so comprehensive in their character and requiring such a length of time for their fulfilment that the Hon. Secretary may be of opinion that for all practical purposes further communication with me is unnecessary. But the interesting position which our affairs with Mexico have assumed since my departure, the opening of negotiations with that Govt. & the newspaper statements here current render me exceedingly anxious to have something like an official statement of the true position of our affairs not only for the purpose of satisfying my own very natural anxiety on the subject but in order that I may be enabled to answer with reasonable certainty the many enquiries which are made by the authorities of the Country to which I am accredited. Since I despair of hearing from the Government of Texas will you do me the favour at your earliest convenience to give me all the news.

I wrote to the Secretary of State on the 23rd September and since then I have been endeavouring to lay the foundation with the Belgian Minister at this Court for a Reciprocity which I had written from the Belgian Minister at Madrid, [illegible] in advance [illegible] the negotiation of a treaty with his Government.

the affair goes on well enough, but there are certain difficulties which, a reasonable delay and the absence of any manifestation of undue anxiety on our part, will I think effectually remove — I found Texas but little known here, on my arrival and in the minds of those to whom its history and position were not entirely unknown there existed a prejudice against it arising from our supposed connexion with the U States, a country disliked for its republicanism, envied for its immense prosperity and hated for the defalcations on the part of the States in the stocks of which the Dutch had largely dealt; whilst I allude to this ~~[illegible]~~ unfounded prejudice, justice compels me to say that I cannot find terms too strong for the expression of the gratitude I feel towards the able accomplished and most efficient representative of the Government of the U States at this Court Mr C Hughes for the kind and loyal manner in which I have been treated by him — Texas owes him a debt of gratitude for the efficient part he has always taken in her behalf especially in her early negotiations in Europe and I find him still expressing the warmest interest in her ~~[illegible]~~ welfare and prosperity.

To day received a letter from Mr [illegible] at Paris and I put this under cover to him with my [illegible] — Some time this month I received a letter from him [illegible] in which he stated that he may [illegible] to send the same by the [illegible] to [illegible] with a copy of [illegible] as that under [illegible] [illegible] from a [illegible] ([illegible]) [illegible] within the limits of ~~the~~ a country to which I was accredited, I deemed it my duty in answer to his notification to express in strong terms my hope that the emigrants in a state of destitution to Texas and as I protested against their being so sent for the simple motive, that it would be injurious to the Country to cast upon its shores a band of paupers, incapable of adding to the productiveness of its soil or the developement of its resources, whose indescribable sufferings, would cause them to render disastrous accounts to their friends in Europe, and thereby check further emigration, that as these emigrants landing under circumstances of destitution can never reach their destination, they would not aid him in the performance of his contract of colonization, that humanity and justice towards the emigrants themselves forbade a course fraught with so much evil to them — I am sorry to say that Mr Castro in his reply manifested a good deal of anger, and instead of taking my letter in the friendly way in which it was intended, he volunteered the absurd intimation that I was inimical to him and his enterprise. How this absurd notion could have entered his brain since I have at all times treated him with courtesy I am at a loss to imagine unless as I am inclined to suspect now the tone of his letter of to day indicates its origin in a feeling of jealousy towards Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne. By the merest accident I met Mr. [illegible], [illegible] gent at [illegible] [illegible] lady. I had gone to that city for the purpose of obtaining precise information ~~in~~ as to the subject of ~~the~~ Society for the Protection of German Emigrants in Texas" of which I had heard much, and with the very laudable objects of which Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne by no doubt make you acquainted - Whilst in communication on this subject with the Counts of Castell, and Leiningen, members of the Society I learnt from them that Mr Bourgeois was in treaty for the sale of his contract with the Texan Govt to this Association - which sale as he Mr B afterwards informed me by a letter from Paris he effected but at what price and on what terms I am as yet utterly ignorant - My movements in the affair were confined to giving the Association correct and unbiased opinions as to the character of the soil climate and position of the Country purchased as Mr B's ~~colonial~~ and such information as I could correctly give with reference to ~~the~~ fact of its being or not being already located.

I found the Society to consist of gen[illegible] who from their high position I suppose capable of carrying out, by money and influence any scheme of emigration however large to which they may turn their efforts - I should have given you an account of all this before had I not thought that Mr Bourgeois would as a matter of course do so, and that you would be much more informed by conversing with him on the subject than you possibly could by a letter from me -

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] of Mr White [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] to Texas through them -

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If so be pleased to mention the matter to him in your next communication.

I found on corresponding with Mr Herckenrath the Texan Consul at Amsterdam, that before my arrival he had recommended Mr Burnand as Dutch Consul at Galveston — An exequatur has at my request been extended to Mr I. I. Crooswick as Texan Consul at Rotterdam — This comes on the Co. at London of which Mr Converse was the head and front — Write to me I pray you at yr earliest leisure, send me all the journals that contain any thing of interest to Texas — I have caused a letter dated Galveston and addressed to the "London Times" to be translated into Dutch and inserted in the "Amsterdam Courant" — The accounts contained in this letter are quite flattering, and the Cotton crop of the present year is estimated at ninety thousand bales — I remain yrs &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield

Legation of Texas at the
Hague. 11th Novr 1843

I. L. Herckenrath. Texan
Consul. Amsterdam

Sir. Yours of the 8th has been duly received at this Legation accompanied by the "Amsterdam Courant" of the 7th containing the translation of the letter to the London Times from Galveston. I thank you for this evidence of your interest in our young Republic and I have in my despatch of this date to the Secretary of State of Texas, made Reference to [illegible] that you had caused this to be done and that it afforded me great pleasure to testify to the zeal and ability with which you attended to your Consular duties, and the interest you took in all that concerned our Government at home or its commerce abroad — As to the commercial information which you ask at my hands I am sorry not to be able to give it to you with a sufficient certainty to enable you implicitly to depend upon it — Perhaps the articles mentioned in your letter (Gin) would find a good market without — I send you herewith a printed copy of our tariff which will answer your enquiry as well as to the articles Gin as others — But you must bear in mind that the duties mentioned in the Tariff as well as the Tonnage duties are all payable in the paper money of the Government, which is always unfortunately at a considerable discount — Return cargoes of Hides and Cotton could always be had, but much more accurate information on these interesting heads can be obtained from Bremen, from which place repeated ventures have been made. As to the Harbour and Light House duties there are none other coming within my knowledge than a duty of sixty cents (American) per ton on all vessels other than Steamers which pay only 20 cts a ton. The Rate of Pilotage is [illegible] about the same as that of other places in the gulf —

I am pleased to avail myself of this occasion of expressing the consideration and sincere esteem with which I remain yours etc etc (Signed) Mc [illegible]
Chargé d'Affaires

Legation of Texas at the
Hon Anson Jones Hague 12 Nov 1843
Secretary of State of Texas

Sir

The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas at the Hague has the honor to state, that since the date of his last dispatch, the 23 of September, nothing has occurred at this Residence of very deep or immediate interest to the Government he represents — The Undersigned has been successively presented to the King and Queen of the Netherlands and to the Prince and Princess of Orange, and is in daily expectation of being presented to the Princes Alexander and Henry — The delay incident to these numerous presentations have hitherto prevented the undersigned from visiting Brussels, and he has also avoided doing so too abruptly least he should wound the jealousy which naturally exists on the part of this Government towards that of Belgium —

At the solicitation of the Undersigned his Majesty has granted an Exequatur to Mr J. J. Crossnick as Consul for Texas at Rotterdam, and an exequatur has also been granted to Mr J L Heerekeurnuth as Consul at Amsterdam; the Hon Secretary of State may reasonably expect that important benefits will result from the services of these two functionaries, who will make known to the enterprising merchants of Holland the resources and products of our Country and direct towards its Ports their shipping which manifest in all Countries a striking desire to enter into commerce, & hence a hope of success presents itself. Mr. Hoorckenwaith has shown great zeal in the discharge of his duties & at the request of the undersigned, has translated into Dutch and caused to be inserted in the Amsterdam Courant of the 7th inst a letter written to the London "Times" dated Galveston September the 6th which gives a most flattering account of our affairs both political and commercial, and states the Cotton Crop of the present year to amount to ninety thousand bales. The appearance of such communications as this in a journal of such standing as the London Times does much for our cause. Mr Hoorckenwaith begs me to state on his part, that as long ago as last January he advised the Hon the Secretary of State of the receipt of his commission as Consul for the Port of Amsterdam, which letter he fears has miscarried; both the Consuls in this Country have been furnished by the undersigned with a copy of Consular instructions. Before the arrival of the undersigned at the Hague, Mr Hoorckenwaith at the request of the Hon Ashbel Smith had been recommending a Mr Bosman as Dutch Consul for Galveston. The Dutch government [illegible] commercial [illegible] nation, regards the office of Consul with great consideration, [illegible] its own allowing no consuls but Dutch subjects, and has since my arrival here refused to grant an exequatur to a [illegible] naturalized citizen of the U S, in one [illegible] the [illegible] Interpreter and am told, by the [illegible] of [illegible], and an Expectation [illegible] that he does not speak [illegible], the [illegible] at [illegible] and the [illegible] [illegible] —

The [illegible] Nature of [illegible] of the Country [illegible] to the [illegible] of [illegible] and the [illegible] of [illegible] just at the [illegible] of the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] to procure the [illegible] of a [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] his Majesty may [illegible] under the Charge of his [illegible] to the United States [illegible] in the [illegible] the [illegible] Country [illegible] the greatest [illegible] to [illegible] to the [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible]

[illegible]

visited Texas as the agent of the Belgian government is a member of the Belgian chamber of deputies for this year. The kindly personal intimacy established between the undersigned and the Major during his visit to Texas, authorizes the hope that he will be found a warm friend to our country—

The undersigned had the honor to communicate to the Hon. Secretary of State in his despatch of the 23rd September last the names of the society formed for the Protection of German Emigrants to Texas, which has its head quarters at the city of Mayence, and also a description of the views and objects of the Association— Since that date the undersigned has been informed by Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne that he had disposed of his concession to the above mentioned Society but Mr B has not communicated to the undersigned the particulars of the transaction—

The undersigned received from the same source a letter dated Antwerp the 18th Oct. last informing him that on the 25th of the same month the ship would sail from that port with emigrants for Mr Castro's Colony—

The undersigned as this [illegible] had not to be [illegible] from a Belgian [illegible] of its [illegible] his presence as the accredited agent of this government to that country. He considered it his duty to inform Mr Castro [illegible] Texas [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

every thing necessary for their support until they having their voyages out for a considerable time after their arrival in the Country of Texas — To this recommendation he added for reasons of Policy and humanity both which at once to be made as to make the Secretary of State a Protest against Mr Castro's sending out any emigrants till he was made so properly provided for. At this Mr C became very angry and his answer intimated that the undersigned was hostile to his scheme of colonization and intimated so as to state that the undersigned must apologize to the Hon Secretary of State for having alluded to it — Mr Castro says that he is now sending two other vessels with emigrants from the Port of Antwerp during the present month — Since Mr Castro's return to Paris the undersigned has received a letter from him dated 6th inst Paris in which he communicates a portion of what he terms his despatch to the Hon Secretary of State, written from Antwerp 25th Oct 1843 — Therein he says he submitted to the Hon Secretary of State the proposition of being allowed by the Texan Government for every one hundred & twenty (120) families, instead of each head of a family shall receive the premium of fifteen hundred acres (1500) the right to [illegible] thousand (10000 acs) [illegible] [illegible] for all the families of [illegible] [illegible] to the despatch [illegible] — Mr Castro [illegible] this matter before the Texan govt. & which I accordingly do with the expression of my opinion that such an inducement as that held out by this arrangement would be a very efficient stimulant to emigration and I am inclined to believe that some or similar arrangements have been entered into with the Belgians with the Government of Guatemala.

The despatch of the Undersigned of the 23rd September last may, as it relates to the [illegible] to the Case of Mr [illegible] the Consul at Matamoros — The Undersigned has received no communication from the Department of State since his arrival in Texas, but the instructions of the Hon. Secretary of State were so full and complete at the time of the departure of the Undersigned from the U States that he has not been at a loss for directions in the discharge of his duties.

The Undersigned perceives by Extracts from the Texan journals that the expenditures of the Government are about to be reduced, from this he is led to fear that the diplomatic retinue of the Country will be the first to feel the pruning knife of Reform, which while the Undersigned is inclined to think be [illegible] without pruning to find a minimum where all is on the most economical scale which are strictly compatible with dignity. The Undersigned alludes to this in [illegible] because he well knows from experience that the salaries of Ministers at a distance are frequently not the measure of economy [illegible]

[illegible]

was well known that the Undersigned has not as yet seen a change in the Public Treasury, but that he had declared his entire content with the hope of their being paid at a future day — He asks nothing further at present. He is content to abide the ability of his Country to pay them, but he earnestly requests as due to the honour of that Country and to its character for stability and consistency as for the purpose of giving it a [illegible] at the outset the Basis of the settlement of a fixed and permanent policy that he be allowed to remain where he is at least until a decent time for his settlement shall have elapsed or until he shall have been able to bring to some conclusion the important negotiations with which he is charged & which promise at present the most flattering results — Delays like the last, perhaps given the policy of delay which the Undersigned has adopted, and which he has in a measure been compelled to adopt, to counteract the ill effects of that [illegible] character, which had hitherto been manifested in respect to the negotiation of [illegible] and the Convention of [illegible], and which may lead to the conclusion that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] — the Undersigned [illegible] that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to call the attention of the [illegible] to the subject, for the purpose of requesting that they may be enabled to be understood in the proper quarter, and he trusts with the most entire confidence that after the pecuniary sacrifices which he has made and while he is still disposed to continue for the service of the country that his feelings may be spared the cruel infliction of a summary and abrupt recall, resulting from the action of the Senate — The undersigned avails himself of the opportunity to express to the Hon. Sec. of State, his most distinguished consideration

Signed Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires — etc — etc

Brussels Hotel de Bellevue
December 14th 1843

To His Excellency Lieutenant
General Count Goblet d'Alviella,
Minister of his Majesty the King
of Belgium for Foreign Affairs.

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas at the Hague has the honour to inform His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs Count Goblet d'Alviella, that he is the bearer of a letter of introduction from the Secretary of State of the Republic of Texas addressed to His Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Belgium, and that he [illegible] the honour [illegible] His Excellency [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The undersigned avails himself of this opportunity to express to his Excellency Lieutenant Genl Count Goblet de Alviella the sentiments of his most distinguished consideration—

(Signed) William Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires of
the Republic of Texas
at the Hague

Bruxelles le 15 Décembre
1843 —

Le Lt. Génl. Cte. Goblet d'Alviella, Ministre des affaires Etrangères, a l'honneur de recevoir Monsieur le colonel Daingerfield demain Samedi à onze heures —

à Monsieur, Monsieur
Le Colonel Daingerfield chargé
d'affaires du Texas à La Haye —

Bruxelles 17th Decr 1843—

Dear Sir

I spoke to the Genl Goblet only yesterday evening after his dinner, when I was in the morning at his Cabinet I could not get him; this is the reason I did not call at your hotel as I desired it of you, hope to see you this morning at my Hotel, to communicate to you his answer. You will be very kind if you could come to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

(Signed) [illegible]

Paris 7th February 1844

Mr. H. de Cock
Brussels

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of yrs of dates 1st & 3rd Inst, and to thank you for the interest you are pleased to take in the affairs of Texas. I am also obliged to you for the extract of the President Houston's message which has been copied into the Belgian journals. Allow me in return for yr courtesy in enclosing me this extract to enclose you a printed copy of the whole message —

As to the further steps to be taken for ensuring the recognition of Texan Independence by the Government of His Majesty the King of Belgium, it strikes me that all that can be has already been done — The matter has been fully and fairly brought before His Majesty's Ministry and I do not feel myself authorised to urge further the Belgian Government to do that which is as much to say the least to its interest by opening to its manufactures the markets of a new and rapidly growing country as it can possibly be to the advantage of Texas already recognised by the greatest powers of both Hemispheres and in the act of treating with Mexico, her ancient enemy —

As to the Consul-Generalship of Texas for Belgium, nothing can be said on my part until the acceptance of my letters of credence by the Belgian Government gives me the right to be heard by them; when my letters of credence shall have been received, it will be my endeavour to to procure the appointment to the Consul Genl=ship of such a Gentleman as from his com=mercial standing and character shall do honour to the Country he represents.

I beg of you to believe in my thankful=ness for the interest you have taken in the affairs of Texas and to be assured that at the proper time I shall not fail to bring your efforts in that regard under the notice of the Texan Government.

I have the honour to remain

&c &c &c (Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas

× Bruxelles 28 Decembre 1843

M le Ministre des Affaires Etrangeres aura l'honneur de recevoir Monsieur le Colonel Daingerfield demain dans la Matinée entre 10 et 11 heures si le moment convient a Monsieur le Colonel –

Monsieur. Monsieur le Colonel
Daingerfield Chargé d'Affaires de
Texas a La Haye. Hotel de Bellevue ×

+ Enter this in its proper place +

Paris. 5th of Febry January 1844

To His Excellency Mr
J. Rumpff. Minister ~~Resident~~ Plenipo. & Envy Extr
of the free cities at Paris.

The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas at the Hague, has the honour to inform Mr Rumpff Minister Plenipo & Envy Extraordinary of the free cities of Germany at Paris, that the the Undersigned is the bearer of letters of Credence on the part of the Government of the Republic of Texas, accredited to the Senates of each of the free Hanseatic cities of -

Hamburgh, Bremen and Lubeck, and that he had letters of the same character to the Honorable the Senate of the free city of Francfort on the Maine, which last he had the honour to deliver to the Burgomaster of the city of Francfort in September last. That by these letters the Undersigned is empowered on the part of the Govt. of Texas to treat with the Governments of the respective cities above mentioned, which letters the undersigned has by unavoidable circumstances been prevented from delivering in person, notwithstanding his strong desire so to do, but finding himself in Paris on other business connected with his Government and aware of the peculiar facilities which yr Excellency's knowledge of the English language and acquaintance with the institutions and commerce of the United States of America, with which those of Texas are almost identical, would naturally afford, in conducting the desired negotiation, the Undersigned respectfully requests that yr Excellency would obtain such powers, as would afford the Undersigned the opportunity of conferring with yr Excellency on the intended treaty, by the negotiation of which, the already increasing commerce between the respective ~~gov~~ countries would be greatly fostered.

The undersigned avails himself of this occasion to offer to His Excellency Baron Rumpff, Minister Plenipotentiary and Envoy Extraordinary of the free Cities of Germany at Paris the assurances of his most distinguished consideration.

Signed, Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires de Texas
etc — etc — etc

Paris 14th February 1844

Hon. A. Smith Chargé d'Affaires
of Texas etc. etc.

My Dear Sir

I herewith send you for examination a pamphlet, containing the existing treaties between the free Hanseatic cities and other countries with which they have diplomatic Relations.
Mr. v. Rumpff, the Minister Resident of the free cities at Paris with whom I am in communication as to the treaty between those Governments and that of Texas, thinks that the treaty with Venezuela, or that between the United States and the free cities, both of which I have turned down in the before mentioned pamphlet, for your examination would either the one or the other suit our purpose. In return I have sent him for inspection our treaty with Holland. Will you give me your opinion on the subject, accompanied by any suggestions you may think proper to offer, by tomorrow at 2 P.M.

Yours most truly
(Signed) Daingerfield

No answer received to this note, but a verbal Conference, -

Paris 17th March 1844

His Excellency v. Rumpff
Minister etc. etc. -
My Dear Sir

Your note of the 12th inst. was handed to me yesterday evening - you object totally to the first and seventh article of the pro= jet treaty, [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] -
[illegible] the 3rd article. I am glad that the [illegible] which I have the honour to

proposed on the 13th instant have had the effect which in making them I desired to produce, that of showing you that the Govt of Texas is desirous to treat the Hanseatic Republics with that liberality which it feels to be due them as the Pioneers of Commerce between Texas and the Continental States of Europe; But I must state that when you desire to "limit the stipulation to articles shipped in vessels of the contracting parties" that I cannot consent to the limitation so far as the same is applicable to the exportations of Texas. In the present ~~limited~~ state of our national shipping this limitation would be exceedingly inconvenient. I propose therefore to strike out from the third Article the words, in the 2nd line thereof, "by vessels of the Republic of Texas" in other words to make such alteration in said third article as will more clearly appear by the annexed project of said article which I have the honor herewith to submit. In making this alteration I have the honor to call your attention to the fact that I consent to the proposed addition of the words "whatever be its origin" which will certainly tend to obviate the possibility of error or misapprehension, and that I have no objection to the restriction of the character of the vessels when applied to all the other clauses of Article third. I have the honor to remain &c &c

Signed. [illegible]

To
Paris 27th March 1844
His Excellency V. Rumpff &c &c
[illegible]

Exequatur has been received and the recom-
mendation of Mr Kulenkampff as Texan Con-
sul at Bremen by Mr Smidt President
of the Senate, shall in proper time be duly
attended to—

I am sorry that the ~~the~~ "unlucky" third Article
of our Projet gives you so much trouble;
allow me a single word on the general
subject of the commercial position of
Texas, and I will then come to the very
matter in question and endeavour to
afford you all the satisfaction possible
in reference thereto— for certainly the spi-
rit of extreme courtesy and liberality
with which you have conducted this
negotiation, requires on my part every
thing short of a sacrifice of the interests
committed to my care—

It is as occupying a position contiguous to
both Mexico and the United States that Texas
becomes in her commercial relations a
country of importance to the manufac-
turing and carrying States of Europe—
and hence the committee of the Bremen
Senate, mentioned in your note of the 26th
inst looked upon Texas as calculated from
the advantages of that position, to hold
the tariffs of Mexico and the U States in
check, instead of affording the opportunity
and means of their undue and [illegible]
[illegible]; and they regarded that the reta[illegible]
[illegible] in her hands this position and its
strictly agricultural character as [illegible]
[illegible] to protect and not as a hindrance
to [illegible]. Now these manufactures
they should have not the benefit—
[illegible] position, with [illegible]
[illegible] to Mexico [illegible]

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excite at once the attention of the observer. The Ports of Texas are much nearer to the rich mining provinces of Mexico than are the Ports of Mexico herself whilst the character of the country affords much greater facilities for the transportation of goods, over the level Prairies from the Ports of Matagorda and Corpus Christi than through the mountain ranges which embarrass the communication with Tampico and Vera Cruz. But to return to the 3rd Article I am content to restrict its provisions to the exportation through the Hanseatic Cities, of the manufactures and products of the German Confederation — in the vessels of the Contracting Parties: 2nd To restrict the exportation from Texas to the Hanseatic Republics of articles not the growth or manufacture of Texas also to vessels of the Contracting Parties 3rd To leave entirely the productions & manufactures of Texas to find their way to the Ports of the Hanseatic Republics in such bottoms as may seem best to the shippers thereof, under the general provisions of the treaty as to the most favoured nations. I am quite content that you should put the Articles in the form which would best express these views. I have the honor to remain etc etc

Signed W. Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires de Texas

Paris February 4th 1845

Right Honble Rumpff

Permit me to ask of you a

personally favour by granting it you will
greatly oblige me. you will do more
you will serve the cause of truth & honour
& defend agst unmerited and most foul
charges the name and reputation of
one who is a brother in arms & whose
reputation however assailed by contempora-
ries envious of his great fame will &
must descend to after ages in the bright
catalogue of those whose victorious
swords have established states—

In the Allgemeine Zeitung or Augsburg
Gazette of last month about the 24th thereof there
is a most violent attack on Texas generally
& on my friend and chief Genl Houston
in particular. Without entering into the motive
of the author who is as I am inclined to
think a German resident in America I am
prepared to assert that all that I am told he
states as to Genl Houston's conduct [illegible]
serving with Santa Anna & his having
been bribed &c &c is grossly and basely
false. [illegible] too highly the good opinion
of the numerous readers of the Augsburg
Gazette not to desire not to desire that
these falsehoods should be [illegible] and the
[illegible] generally [illegible]. Unfortunately
I do not write German nor have I any
friends at hand who does I appeal to you
for aid. I ask of you to defend the character
of a brother soldier who has wielded no
inglorious sword to shield him from an
accusation which strikes with the design to
[illegible] the soul of a brave man [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] the opinion of [illegible] good victor
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] he

thinks it impossible that he could have been guilty of the baseness attributed to him in this letter. I ask of you to acquit him of that foul charge in the eyes of thousands & thousands of brave Germans who have heretofore read the story of his valour with that sympa- which, the brave and generous always feel towards each other — I pledge my solemn word of honour to you Sir that these charges are as false as they are malicious as such I brand them and I will if necessary maintain the assertion with my life; Will you not then my dear Count have this denial made public in the same Gazette, It will be an Act of Justice you will always be pleased to render & you will greatly oblige yr sincere friend

To Count Charles Wm Henry Daingerfield
de Castell Aide de Camp of the Governor of Mayence

Colonel Daingerfield Chargé
d'Affaires des Texas. Paris

Mentz 29th July 1843

My Dear Colonel

Frequent excursions abroad & consequently a great deal of business in our Texian Society on the one part, and on the other the desire to give you precise information about your commission are the true reasons that detained me from sooner answering your last and most amiable letter from Paris. Be assured that my dear Sir, you greatly obliged me by that token of your confidence, & my readiness for being of any service to you. After reading your letter concerning the atrocious article about Texas & your most esteemed friend and chief in the Augsburger gazette. [illegible] to the Editor of [illegible] paper in order to give you the satisfaction for the aforesaid Article — I have already received an answer with the assurance that this your legitimate wish which is in the mean time mine; and that of all men of honour acquainted with yr celebrated countryman, will be fulfilled in one of the next numbers of ~~of~~ the Gazette — allow me to ask if you have not yet any answer concerning our business of Loan and Grants. Count Victor Leiningen sends his best compliments; Prince Solms is at Dusseldorf visiting his brother the Prince Fr of Prussia. For me I must call on yr indulgence concerning my bad English writing but I have had no exercise since 14 years, & I think you will only regard my meaning and the expression of my true feeling for you & not my bad language; therefore let me once more you gratify for having put me in the possibility as to a testify by fact the high estimation with which I have the honour to be, Your true & most obedient friend & humble servt.

Signed. C. Count Castell

Paris 26th May 1844.

Hon. Anson Jones.
Secretary of State. Sir

The last despatch which the Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the R. T. at the Hague had the honor to address yr Excellency was dated the Hague 12th Novr 1843 & forwarded through the Consul of Texas at N. Orleans — The Undersigned had the honor at that date to inform yr Excelly that having fully ascertained the diplomatic relations between the Government of Texas and [illegible] of his Majesty the King of the Netherlands he shortly proceeded to Brussels for the purpose of carrying into effect the instructions with which he was charged as to the opening of negotiations for a treaty of Amity and Commerce with his ~~the~~ Government of Belgium. The Undersigned had the honor to mention in the said despatch to your Excellency, that in his communication from the Hague of the 23 September 1843 he had forwarded to your Excellency the proposition of the Society for the protection of German Emigrants to Texas and at the same time to call the attention of your Excellency to the course which he had pursued in regard to the emigrants of Mr Henri Castro, and desired to make known to your Excellency the protest which he had made to Mr Castro against the character of emigrants ~~which~~ he was expected to have sent to Texas.

The Undersigned would now forward another copy of the propositions of the Society for the Protection of German Emigrants as the receipt of the former may not have been acknowledged, and that notwithstanding the rumour which has reached Europe of the repeal by Congress of the Law authorising the President to grant contracts for colonization, the German Association is still determined to send its Agents to Texas and your Excellency may expect by the month of May to have a personal interview with the Prince Leiningens Cousin Count of Solms and Monsieur Bourgeois d'Orvanne as the Agents of that Association.

The delays incident to the [illegible] having [illegible] as given in Mr [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] finally [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the

beginning of December last visited the [illegible]
at Brussells where he was presented to his Ma-
jesty the King of Belgium & invited to dine
at the Palace — On a very interesting occasion
his Majesty granted the undersigned [illegible]
the subject of a negotiation with Texas
was broached & the undersigned received
from his Majesty the most gracious assurance
of his entire good will towards the Re-
public of Texas, and his wishes to see
established relations of amity & commerce
between Belgium and that Country —
from the French Ambassador the Marquis
de Rumigny and the English Minister
Sir Hamilton Seymour the undersigned received
every attention and kindness and the most
cordial cooperation. After a stay at Brussells
of some weeks the undersigned became
satisfied that the position of the Legisla-
tive Chambers was such that the Minis-
ter of Foreign Affairs notwithstanding the
strong desire of the King could not at that
moment enter upon a negotiation with Tex-
as and — the undersigned accordingly left
Brussells with the understanding on the part of
the Minister of Foreign Affairs that he would [illegible]
[illegible] during the [illegible] [illegible]
the undersigned [illegible] that [illegible]
[illegible] ready [illegible] the treaty which [illegible]
[illegible] with Belgium [illegible]
[illegible]

The undersigned [illegible]
[illegible] to the [illegible] Minister for the
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

language and Refinement which he has acquired by a long residence in the United States proceeded on the 1st of January 1844 to Paris and soon after his arrival in that city put himself in communication with the Minister of the Hanse Towns — From that date up to the day of the signature of the treaty the Undersigned has been actively and earnestly engaged in promoting its consummation — Many delays were at first experienced from the difficulty of bringing the several parties to accord and latterly the doubt which existed as to the annexation of Texas to the United States occasioned great delay & at one period threatened to suspend the negotiation altogether. The Undersigned has now the honor to forward to Yr Excellency by the hands of Mr Henri Castro the accompanying copy of the treaty which will be found to be in the usual form and to contain the usual stipulations with the exception of the Article of Extradition which was inserted at the request of the Undersigned and the Article which makes parties to the treaty upon the filing of an official declaration all the other States of the German Confederation; this latter Article was inserted because the Undersigned considered it of importance to Texas for the purposes of immigration to have the power of nominating Consuls in the different petty German States — The expense of time & money which a separate negotiation with each power would occasion to both parties would be an inconvenience [illegible] without the Article [illegible] of the treaty [illegible] ry a simple official declaration will be an efficient inducement to establish Commercial relations —

For the Texan Consulship at Bremen Mr Smidt President of the Senate of that City highly recommends Mr Julius Kulenkampff partner of the firm of Kulenkampff and Brothers ~~of H~~ — Mr K has been in Texas & is also recommended by Mr Kampff — The Undersigned has promised that the name of Mr Kulenkampff shall be submitted to the President & he accordingly respectfully requests that it may be done

The Undersigned would respectfully ~~request~~ submit to his Excy the Secy of State his earnest desire to obtain a congé or leave of absence for the purpose of returning to the United States & to Texas — The private affairs of the Undersigned resulting from the death of a near relative in the United States imperiously demand his presence there — By means of a congé or leave of absence the Missions at the several Posts committed to his charge can be as effectually kept open as though the Undersigned were present in Person — The Consul Genl can be left in Charge & all the difficulties & objections incident to an abrupt breaking up of the Missions can be avoided while in fact the same result as though they were broken up ~~at~~ in effect pro tem — The Undersigned will be most gratified should this congé or leave of absence be sent to him directed to the care of Lorenzo Draper Esqr No 30 Rue Hauteville Paris by the 1st of August next — If it seem good to his Excy the Secy of State the congé may also be [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] the necessary Diplomatic [illegible] [illegible] the

Pray the Undersigned with desire of the Sovereign

The Undersigned has the honor further to inform Yr. Excellency that Mr Bourgeois d'Orvanne has as he states successfully concluded his negotiations in Germany with reference to his project of colonization — According to his statement he has formed an association with distinguished personages in that country which will enable him to direct the entire current of German emigration to Texas — He considers with great reason that the high personal position and large fortunes of each of the members of the association is a sufficient guarantee not only of the success of this scheme but of the greatest advantages to the emigrants — The Undersigned has always deemed this association as of the highest importance to Texas, inasmuch as it would a numerous active and intelligent band of emigrants, possessed of the requisite skill, industry and capital to call into full life & exercise all the resources of the country upon which they may locate — Mr B. d'Orvanne sets out for Texas on the 19th of May next; he has informed the Undersigned that he will be accompanied by his Serene Highness Prince Charles of Solms, with the intention of making preparations in advance for the location of his colony. The Undersigned will not enter into the details of the plan of the association but begs leave to refer Yr Exc. to the letter of Mr B. d'Orvanne, which he has the honor to enclose in a separate communication — The Undersigned take a very active part in the negotiation of the operation with Mr B. d'Orvanne, and he considers that its operations are fraught with deep interest & profit to Texas, whilst he congratulates himself upon the influence which his presence at Bayonne last May produced in opening the plans of this very active and important society.

The Undersigned avails himself of this opportunity of renewing the sentiments of distinguished consideration with which he has the honour to be &c &c &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c

Paris April 20th 1844

Mr B. d'Orvanne Sir

Mr Castro has just handed me a paper which I herewith transmit you marked A. It purports to be a copy of a Law of Congress repealing the Act authorizing the President to make further contracts for the colonization of Lands in Texas; although I am not officially informed of the passage of that law I deem it my duty to communicate to you for your guidance & information & for the guidance & information of those united with you in your Texan Enterprise. Will you be kind enough to take a copy & return me the original. Yrs truly

Mr B. d'Orvanne — (Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
27 Rue [illegible] Paris Chargé d'Af. of Texas

Paris 22 April 1844

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Gentlemen

I have the honor to inform you that on the 17th inst I concluded a treaty of Amity & Commerce between the Republic of Texas and the Hanseatic cities of Lubeck, Bremen and Hamburgh — As some of the details of this treaty require my presence in Germany I shall be prevented from returning to my Post at the Hague before July. I communicate the fact of the signature of the treaty for your private information, of course until the ratification of the respective Powers it will not be made Public. I have the honor to remain &c &c &c

Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires &c &c.

Paris April 22nd 1843

To Mr Henri Castro, Paris

Sir. You have offered to take the treaty lately concluded between Texas and the Hanse towns to Texas and to deliver it to Mr Jones Secretary of State — I avail myself with pleasure of the opportunity afforded by yr departure of sending that instrument to my Government and also confiding to yr care other despatches and letters — Should any thing occur preventing yr departure from England or interrupt your journey you will send the accompanying papers and treaty to the care of the Texan Consul Mr A. Ikin No 3. St Helens Place London — If you think that, provided in that case you cannot arrive [illegible] Texas you will deliver them to Mr [illegible] at the first [illegible] the place where you [illegible] this [illegible]

Letters delivered or otherwise. Wishing you a speedy & safe journey I remain yrs &c — &c — &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c

Legation of Texas at the Hague
July 19th 1844

To Mr. Henry F. Fisher
Consul of Texas at Bremen
Sir

Your No of the 6th of May has just reached me, as by some accident or mistake on the part of my Agent here it was not forwarded to my address — I am pleased to learn that the Senate of Bremen has granted yr Exequatur as Consul & and that the ~~Bremen~~ treaty will be ratified — As to yr leaving yr Post for a time I must leave the matter to yr sense of duty which I am sure you will not neglect. Be kind enough to acknowledge the receipt of this letter and let me know yr whereabouts — Rest assured that not only in obedience to the orders of the Secy of State, but in accordance with my own feelings of friendship I will render you & yr enterprise all the aid in my power. Accept the assurances &c &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c

Legation of Texas at the
To The Hon. Anson Jones Hague. [illegible]
Secretary of State of Texas 1843

The [illegible] Respectfully [illegible] the Un-[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

Paris 22nd April 1844 and submitted with the treaty just then concluded with the Hanse towns to the care of Mr Henri Castro. Mr Castro was furnished with written instructions by the Undersigned to forward to forward the despatches and treaty through the Consul of Texas at London in case his journey should be unexpectedly delayed or terminated in England or through the nearest Agent of Texas in the U States in case a similar detention or termination of his intended trip should occur in the last mentioned Country. The Undersigned has received information of the safe arrival of Mr Castro at New Orleans on the 17th of last June and of his intention to prosecute his journey to Texas by the Steamer of the 22nd of that month.

The Undersigned has lately received a communication from Mr Henry F. Fisher Texan Consul at Bremen dated 8th May 1844 by which he is informed that Mr Smidt the President of the Senate of Bremen had stated to Mr Fisher that on that day the treaty would be ratified by the Senate of Bremen and that in anticipation of such a ratification an exequatur had been on Mr Fisher's application granted him as Consul of the Republic of Texas for that Port. The Undersigned at the date of his last despatch was not aware of the appointment of Mr Fisher as Consul for Bremen, and he consequently recommended to your Excy at the suggestion of Mr Smidt President of the Bremen Senate communicated through the Minister resident at Paris, Mr Kulenkampff as a proper person for Consul of the Republic in that City [illegible] the Appointment of [illegible] the Undersigned would beg leave to suggest that no difficulty whatever exists in obtaining the acceptance of the ~~off~~ Office by Gentlemen of the first standing in any of the Sea Ports of Europe; The title, the Uniform, and the exemption from certain civil and military duties, are in the eyes of the most wealthy attractions which more than counterballance the labour the trouble and the expense incident to the appointment; ~~for~~ On the other hand in the present limited state of our Commerce the Office can be of no profit or benefit to any citizen of the Republic. As far as the experience of the Undersigned goes, the foreigner brings to the discharge of his consular duties, much zeal and energy, the confidence of those among whom he is placed, and great consequent efficiency and which on this subject the Undersigned would beg leave to pay a well merited tribute to the Consuls for the Ports of Rotterdam and Amsterdam Messrs Crooswyck and Verckenrath for the active zeal & interest which they have at all times & under all circumstances for the advancement of the interests of the Republic which they so creditably represent.

Since the last despatch which the Undersigned had the honour to address to your Excellency nothing has transpired in reference to the Negotiations with Belgium which can lead the Undersigned to conclude at what time the affair can be definitely arranged; The last intercourse which the Undersigned had with the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Brussels on the 15th of the present Month was not as satisfactory as might have been desired; The pending application of the Government of Texas for annexation to that of the United States was made the grounds of delay; The real cause of the timidity of the Minister who fears to give offence to the numerous parties interested in the scheme of Guatemala Colonization; But despite of this obstacle the Undersigned has the utmost confidence in his ultimate success. The grounds of this confidence are the very strong desire which exists on the part of several of the most wealthy & influential Merchants of Antwerp (with whom the Undersigned was put in communication by Mr. Max Van [illegible] a Gentleman in every way worthy of the confidence which the Executive of Texas has lately shewn him) for the establishment of commercial relations between Belgium & Texas; From these Gentlemen the Undersigned received the most positive assurances that he might every day expect the accomplishment of his wishes; The Undersigned is indeed very desirous to accomplish this negotiation and despite of his anxiety to return to his home & his private affairs he will if it seems good to yr Excellency remain in Europe until its accomplishment [illegible] the [illegible] to the [illegible] to which yr Excellency has entrusted to his care and which it touches his most pride to bring to a successful termination.

Your Excellency will permit the Undersigned to suggest that in the present [illegible] [illegible] state of the question of annexation, it would seem presuming too much to the doubtful hazard of that event, to relax much less entirely to abandon our relations with European Powers. In the absence of instructions the Undersigned has met the objection made to our pending application for annexation as suspending our national existence with the argument that we must treat things as we find them actually existing. That diplomatists must deal with actual facts, and not with probability much less with possibilities; That in this light the Nationality of Texas and its capacity to enter into negotiations must be viewed. That annexation can only be considered as a possibility more or less intense more or less remote if you please, but still only a possibility. There there is not a Govert. in Europe which may not possibly may even probably change its form & that within a space of time more brief than that required for the fulfilment of annexation, and yet that no one would think and yet that no one would think of making this probability or possibility an objection to the formation of treaties, more commercial especially when those treaties are on the footing which all treaties with Texas must occupy that of perfect reciprocity.

In relation to the accomplishment of a treaty of Commerce with Belgium the Undersigned only awaits the instructions of your Excellency as to the steps which must be taken

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cle of this treaty [illegible] with
the Hanse towns [illegible] the [illegible] of
the German Confederation an additional
[illegible] upon their [illegible] and [illegible]
declaration of their wishes to [illegible];
The promptness of the Senate of Bremen
in ratifying that treaty may be consid-
ered as a just exponent of the favorable
light in which it will be viewed by
the German States & a [illegible] of the
readiness with which they will [illegible]
themselves of its provisions. The [illegible]
ance of the treaty will [illegible] the Govern-
ment of Texas to [illegible] [illegible] of
the highest respectability [illegible] [illegible]
all that portion of Europe [illegible] [illegible]
ect information and [illegible] [illegible]
will be diffused to the [illegible]
numbers of Germany [illegible] of emi-
grating.

Since the commencement of this despatch
the Undersigned has received a letter
from Mr Maximilian [illegible] [illegible]
of [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] before
mentioned, stating that the Chamber of
Commerce of that city made the [illegible]
[illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] an [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible]
of foreign affairs of the [illegible] [illegible]
the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the Govern-
ment of Texas and the [illegible] [illegible]
[illegible] for a treaty. [illegible] [illegible]
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honour to remain, with great respect
Yr Excellency's Most Obedient Servant

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at the Hague &c. &c.

N.B. The above despatch was sent by the Hon. C. Hughes Chargé d'Affaires of the U. States at the Hague, under cover to His Excellency the Secretary of State of the United States July 30th 1844 —

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 1st Augst 1844.

To His Excellency
Lieut. Genl. De Kattendike
Minister of Foreign Affairs

The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas at the Hague has the honour herewith to enclose to His Excellency Lieutenant Genl De Kattendike [illegible] of the King's Minister of Foreign Affairs, the Commission of this date, as Vice Consul for the Port therein mentioned. The Undersigned approves & confirms this appointment as made by the Consul of Texas at Amsterdam, and whilst he commends it to His Excellency respectfully requests that he will cause such steps to be taken with regard to the Commission as are usual in such cases. The Undersigned avails himself of this occasion to renew the expressions of the high consideration with which he has the honour to remain &c &c &c.

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires &c.

To Mr J. L. Heckenmuth
Consul of Texas at Amsterdam
Sir

Legation of Texas at the
Hague August 9th 1844

I have the honour herewith to enclose the Commission of Mr Arts as Vice Consul of the Republic of Texas for the Ports therein named, duly sanctioned by his Excelly the Minister of Foreign Affairs —

Your letter of the 30th of July last should have been answered before, but as it accompanied the Commission, I delayed my reply untill I could return you the same duly authenticated —

His Majesty the King sent for me to day & I had the honour of being received in the most gracious manner His Majesty conversed at considerable length on the affairs of Texas & manifested great interest in the prosperity of our Country —

I remain, yrs most truly
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires etc —

Legation of Texas at the
To Hague. 28th Augst 1844
Mr Wm Schromann Bremen.

Sir

Yours of the 24th inst is recd at this Legation. Is Mr Henry F Fisher still in Europe or has he sailed for Texas. I wrote to him on the 25th July in answer to his letter of the 8th May which never reached me until the day before my answer which I directed by address to Care of Mr [illegible] Bremen.

I trust that the Emigrants spoken of in yrs. of the 24th Inst will be provided with six months provision either on their own part or on the part of those who send them — Otherwise their Emigration may prove fruitless to those who send them, unjust towards the Emigrants themselves & injurious to Texas. The tax levied by the City of Galveston mentioned in yr last [illegible] is intended to protect the City from the Pauperism and mendicity of those who emigrate — but I do not think it will be claimed of those Emigrants who are merely in transitu — My design is to visit Hamburgh & Bremen during the months of September or October — Mr Henry F. Fisher should have notified me of his intention to return to Texas and of yr appointment as Vice Consul — and as it is the matter must rest until I am further advised or can give it my personal attention — I have the honour to remain &c &c &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas

Legation of Texas at the
Hague 1st Sept 1844 —

To Max Muhlenberg Esqr
Antwerp

Sir

Your dated Antwerp 30th of Augst has been received at this Legation, and I beg leave to answer to the several [illegible] [illegible] that are [illegible] of my [illegible] of excellence by the Belgian government to the [illegible] [illegible] in which under the circumstances of the case the Governments of Texas & Belgium can be brought into communication. The examples cited in yr letter of the case of Baden Baden, in support of another course are in my opinion not applicable to this case. They are examples of the appointment of Consuls in the case where there was no treaty between the two Governments, this is a case in which the nationality of one country has not been acknowledged by the other. The Texan Govmt could not under existing circumstances grant an exequatur to a Belgian Consul at Galveston because the Govt of Belgium in refusing the acceptance of the letter of credence of which I was the bearer have denied the existence of that nationality from which an exequatur could alone emanate. Mexico in my opinion does not care a rush whether Belgium recognizes Texas or not. She has shown no repugnance at the recognition of France, England & Holland. In fine I require as a preliminary & indispensable step that my letter of credence to the Belgian Government should be received & then all other matters may be easily arranged. I have the honor to be

&c &c Signed. Wm Henry Daingerfield

Chargé d'Affaires of Texas

Legation of Texas at the
Max Vandenbergh Esqr Hague 21st Augt 1844
Antwerp.

My Dear Sir

Your kind letter of the 19th reached me yesterday & but for my severe indisposition should have been answered immediately. I regret to state that I cannot properly take any steps towards obtaining your Exequatur as Texan Consul at Antwerp until the Belgian government had accepted my letters of credence which accredit me as Charge d'affaires near that Government, and that I cannot very distinctly apprehend the meaning of consistently offering to grant an Exequatur and openly refusing to accept the letters of credence of a Charge d'affaires. The repeated advances made by my Govt to that of His Belgian Majesty must be either openly & avowedly met or continue to be as they have been virtually refused — The intercourse between the two countries must be such as characterizes that between other nations or they must continue as I regret to say they are at present entire strangers to each other — The government of Texas which attaches no political importance to the recognition of Belgium, would, even were its attainment a matter of vital interest, disdain to win it by any other means than by an open & manly proceedings — As to the statement in your letter that the [illegible] [illegible] independence." If you quote the ~~[illegible]~~ words of yours either the Belgian Government can do nothing more than grant you Exequatur, I might state that I cannot understand the force of that argument which admits nationality for one purpose and denies it for another, but I must sweep away the whole ground upon which it is founded by saying that it is not true that the Government of Texas is in suspense, but that the project of annexation having been rejected, it continues to enjoy that independent national existence which has never ~~for~~ during the last seven years been for a moment interrupted & which even during the pendancy of the question of annexation existed in full force & vigour & was so recognised as existing by the foremost governments of the world.

I write to you thus freely and candidly because I hope the day is not far distant when I shall be able to address you as the properly acknowledged representative of that country which has shown its willingness to entrust to your care its honour and its interests, & because I feel deeply indebted both to myself and to Mr De Cock, to whom I beg you to present me most kindly, for the interest you have taken in this matter. I remain &c &c

(signed) Wm. Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'affaires
&c &c &c

N.B. I felt confident that this letter would be shown to the Belgian Minister, and I availed myself of the opportunity of saying to them indirectly what I could not say directly — Such from the tenor of the subsequent communication of Mr Van den Berg was unquestionably the case, and my letter produced all the effect I could have desired —

Legation of Texas at the
To Mr Wm Fehrman Hague. 5th Sept 1844
Vice Consul of Texas
at Bremen. Sir

In answer to yrs of 31st Augt I beg leave to state that I never recd but one letter from Mr Fisher, (dated the 6th May 1844) which I ansd on the 19th of July not having received it before the 18th My letter to Mr Fisher was as follows — (vide letter to Mr Fisher, folio 91) I have never heard from Mr Fisher since and I was of course in entire ignorance of all the facts contained in yrs of the 31st Ultimo — Mr Fisher should have submitted yr appointment to my confirmation & the application for yr Exequatur should have been made through me — But as Mr Fisher has left the country without having done this, and as under an erroneous impression of the state of things, or rather of his duty he has omitted to take the proper steps but has taken others by virtue of which your Exequatur has been obtained I see no other course to be adopted but that of your continuing to discharge the duties of Vice Consul until the proper steps can be taken on Mr Fisher's return which I [illegible] will take place in [illegible] next. You will therefore continue to keep me advised of all that transpires of interest at Bremen to the Republic of Texas, and you will give the strictest possible attention to the condition of the Emigrants to Texas, and will suffer none to embark in that country who are not supplied with the means of supporting themselves for at least six months after their arrival.

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires etc

Legation of Texas at the
Hague. Hamburgh 19th Oct. 1844

To Max VandenBergh Esqr
Antwerp.

Sir

Yours of the 7th inst has been received. The determination of the Belgian Govt is rather tardy, "But better late than never" — If the Belgian Minister of Foreign Affairs will inform me that he is ready to receive my letters of Credence I will immediately forward them to him through the Belgian Consul genl at this place and then immediately address him a note as Chargé d'Affaires of Texas to the Government of his Majesty the King of Belgium [illegible] [illegible] to be [illegible] as Consul for the Port of Antwerp. It would not be in my power to [illegible] at present as the [illegible] of my [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and having [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] be taken amiss— But for yr sake my dear Sir I would be much sorry I am also extremely anxious that your good city of Antwerp should come in for a share with Bremen of the trade to Texas. truly yours &c &c

Signed. Wm Henry Daingerfield.
Charge d'Affaires &c &c—

Alte Stadt London Hotel
Hamburgh 9th October 1844

To His Excellency
Syndicus Sieveking

The Undersigned Charge d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas near the Government of his Majesty the King of the Netherlands, has the honour to inform his Excellency Syndicus Sieveking that he is the bearer of letters accrediting him in the capacity of Chargé d'Affaires near the Government of the City of Hamburgh—

The Undersigned respectfully requests his Excellency Syndicus Sieveking to inform him at what time it may seem good to His Excellency to grant him an interview for the purpose of presenting the letters herein referred to

The Undersigned avails himself of this occasion to express to his Excellency the sentiments of his most distinguished consideration—

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
near the Government of
his Majesty the King of the Nether-
-lands

Legation of Texas at the Hague
Hamburgh 14th Octr 1844

To Mr Wm Schumann &c
Vice Consul of Texas at Bremen.
Sir

I can do nothing more allow me to say in answer to yr note of the 9th inst which has been recd touching yr Vice Consulate than I have already done in my note of the 7th September, viz consider you as Consul de facto under the exequatur of the Bremen Senate; but all was so irregular and hurried on Mr Fisher's part that it must be left alone untill my arrival in Bremen — Be kind enough to inform me at your earliest leisure whether the Refusal of Hamburgh to ratify the treaty as it stands will affect the ratification by Bremen which I was given to Understand had already taken place — from yr last letter I should infer such to be the case — I am much pleased with the Accounts you give me, your last of the State of emigration; do not forget what I have written you on a former occasion as to provisions for the Emigrants — Is Dr Hill still in Bremen if yea request him to inform Ct Castell of my being here &c &c

(Sign'd) Wm Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c

Hamburgh 16th Octr 1844
To Count Charles Castell
[illegible] [illegible] of Princes
of Mayence
My dear Count

I am m. obliged to acknowledge yr Rept of 4th October — I am sure the reception of Prince Solms was most kindly on the part of the Texians & that they gave him such a welcome as was in their power, with the hearts of which at least I am happy that his friends are content —

I cannot urge upon you too strongly my dear Count the utmost attention to the Character of the Emigrants which your Association sends to Texas and that they be duly provided with all that is necessary on their arrival in the Country for their support and sustenance for some time.

Can you not bring the Prussian & Austrian influences to bear on the Senate of this free city & induce them to ratify my treaty —

Believe me &c &c

Daingerfield

Hamburgh 12th Decr 1844

L. M. Rahe. Texan
Consul General & Chargé d'affairs
at London.

The hurried departure of yr friend Mr Smith from Europe has no doubt caused him to forget that some information as to the name of his successor, the time he might be expected to arrive in Europe would not only be agreeable but highly useful to me, nay almost indispensable for the discharge of my duties at a moment when as I had the honour in a former letter to inform you Mexico is making the most strenuous efforts to drive me from the field of diplomacy among the Northern Powers of Europe - You will therefore Sir greatly oblige me by giving me all the details in yr power as to the name of Mr Smith's successor, when he may be expected in London how long he will remain there &c &c Could he come to this city from London the public service would in my opinion be greatly aided and he could then go to Paris by Berlin.

During Mr Smith's absence I am of course to consider you as Chargé d'Affaires of Texas and I would be most obliged to you if in that capacity you would at yr earliest leisure give me not only the information requested above but also any other intelligence you may deem worthy of communication Any thing confided to the bag of the English Consul Genl here will reach me in safety -

I have the honor &c &c

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Texan Chargé d'Affaires

Legation of Texas &c
Hamburgh 17th January 1845

Genl. G. W. Terrell, Chargé d'Affaires
of Texas at London.

My Dear Sir

A hearty sincere & affectionate welcome to Europe, first, a deep sigh that I cannot come to London to see you, and then let me talk to you of business, for I am much pressed for time & write this in order to put in full possession of the facts of my very painful position here. Last winter as you well know, I negotiated a treaty with the Hanse towns of which Hamburgh is the principal & by consequence the residence of the Diplomatic Agent. Having found that there were difficulties thrown in the way of the ratification of the aforesaid treaty by the Several Senates, & that some sinister hand was putting stumbling blocks in my way I left the Hague in Dec. last & came immediately here determined to bring the affair to a conclusion in one way or the other. Shortly after my arrival the Mexican Resident here protested agst. my reception and for some days all the vessels in the harbour bound to Mexico were detained in consequence of this Protest. The Merchants of Hamburgh were in the greatest alarm lest Santa Anna should lay violent hands on their effects in Mexico as a punishment for having dared to receive in their city an Envoy from the Rebel Texans. The Mexican Resident demanded of the Senate that they should signify that my presence was not recognised and the Senate with the [illegible] [illegible] all [illegible] [illegible] had been decoyed in the North Sea on my passage over from Holland. At the first interview I gave them to understand that whilst I would by no means intend to deprecate the effects of Santa Annas treaties, nor the towards them, yet there was one point that the honour of my Country would not permit me to have concealed or denied, and that was their complete recognition of Texas from the day of their acceptance of my full powers. Of course this decided step had the desired effect of putting an end to the question of my being asked to depart as under my view of the case, to do so was no longer practicable, short of a down right violation of international law. Having thus established a foothold I was determined to leave the rest so far as Hamburgh was concerned, to time which in the end sets all things right. But I continued my advances on Bremen cautiously, prudently but decidedly. An Envoy was sent over to confer with me on the part of that city. I succeeded in alarming him by an indifference as to the treaty, which my was not very forced, so disgusted had I become with all the pettiness of the affair. He returned home in a fright & the treaty was at once ratified by Bremen — the affair still hangs on with Hamburg & Lubeck. This is a [illegible] with the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the other side of the Atlantic has lowered his tone — And he requests as a favor that the negotiation should be postponed for a few months, intimating at the end of that period that the treaty should be ratified — This I took the precaution to obtain in writing, so that with a little patience I am sure of success —

I confess that I have been so worried & badgered that I am most eager & anxious to ~~beat~~ defeat the Mexican machinations in an affair which has made some noise in the diplomatic circle of Europe — For Gods sake do not let the Texan Govt step in, in a manner to spoil all. Instead of weakening my position they should strengthen it by all the means in their power — I have served my Country faithfully and well to the best of my poor abilities, I trust they will not desert me in the hour of necessity — Will you at once communicate all these circumstances to them, and request that whatever may have been their previous disposition in my affair, that they will do nothing which may have the appearance of casting a censure on my conduct — I leave for Berlin tomorrow where I hope to hear from you as soon as you arrive in London, direct your letter, Hotel de Russie, Berlin. In October my business in Berlin is to attend to the German association for the protection of Emigrants to Texas, [illegible] [illegible] you [illegible] from that [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] & believe me [illegible] &c

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

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Legation of Texas
Hamburgh 21st Decr 1844

To His Excellency
Senator Gildemeister
Bremen
Sir

Yours of the 12th inst announcing the Ratification of the treaty by the Senate of Bremen has been received. I am glad that our Sister Republic has found it good to give the finishing stroke to that golden link of amity and commerce which will I trust forever bind her and Texas together in the bonds of mutual good fellowship and peace— Believe me my dear Sir I would have most willingly made the alteration in the treaty desired by you in the conference with which you honoured me at Hamburgh— had I not deemed it my duty to my country to show the Senate of Hamburgh that however disposed to afford reasonable indulgence to the fears of Rapine and plunder by the ~~part~~ of the President of Mexico on the part of the latter, we were not disposed to depart from the terms of a written agreement without some promise that such a departure would be followed by definite & favourable action on the part of the Authorities of this place—

Beg you Sir, to convey to the authorities of Bremen my most sincere congratulation on this auspicious event & to accept for yourself the assurance of ~~my~~ exalted consideration & distinguished respect

with which I have the honour to remain
yr Excellency's
Most Obedient Svt
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
near the free Cities of Germany

Sir

Having taken into consideration the tenor of this morning's conversation in which on the eve of your departure for Berlin, you urged the necessity of a decision respecting the Convention negotiated by you on behalf of the Republic of Texas with the Hanseatic Minister at Paris, I have the honour to state that owing to different circumstances, it appears desirable to postpone the continuation of this negotiation for a period which I most sincerely wish to see ~~[illegible]~~ abridged by the course of events; I hope the convenience of your Government and of your own will not oppose the acceleration of your return to Hamburgh in case this anticipation should be realized.

Believe me with the highest regard
Sir

Hamburgh 13th Jany 1845
Your most Obedient ~~Svt~~
humble Servant
(Signed) R. Sieveking

To Colonel Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of the
Republic of Texas.

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Department of State
Washington July 15th 1844

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the several despatches addressed by you to the Department of State the last by Mr Castro under date of the 20th April last and Mr Bourgeois of the 22nd idem, together with the treaty negotiated with the Hanseatic cities of Hamburgh Lubeck and Bremen all of which are highly satisfactory to the Department.

In accordance with your request leave of absence is granted you for six months to return to Texas & look after your private affairs. It is very desirable that the treaty with Belgium should be concluded before you leave and if there should be an immediate prospect of the accomplishment of this object I wish you to stay and complete it otherwise you can leave & return home at your own convenience.

Enclosed herewith is your congé with a copy which you will present to the Minister of Foreign affairs of his Majesty the King of the Netherlands at the proper time. It is presumed that no congé is necessary for the Hanseatic Towns or Belgium & simply a notification of your leave of absence will be sufficient to them without greater formality.

The books and papers of the legation will leave in the charge of [illegible] proper person [illegible] [illegible] or perhaps our Consul at Rotterdam & if you think best you are authorised to appoint ~~a~~ Consul General for the Netherlands with whom you can leave your archives & who will act for you in yr absence.

I have the honor to be with the greatest respect, Yr Most Obt Svt
(Signed) Anson Jones

Hon Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires de Texas
&c &c &c

To His Excellency the Minister
of Foreign Affairs of ~~his~~ the Kingdom of the Netherlands
Sir.

Mr Wm Henry Daingerfield who has for some time been accredited to the Government of His Majesty the King of the Netherlands as the Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas having expressed his desire to obtain leave of absence for a period of six months the President has thought proper to grant his request. I have therefore directed him to take leave of your Excellency at the proper time & to [illegible] the opportunity which will thus be afforded him to renew to yr Excellency the assurances of the friendly sentiments entertained by the President towards the Kingdom of the Netherlands [illegible] the two

[illegible]
I avail myself of this occasion to
offer to yr Excellency the assurances of
my distinguished consideration
(Signed) Anson Jones
Department of State
Washington 15th July 1844

Legation of Texas
Hamburg 15th Jany 1845

To Wm Lehmann Esqr
Texan Vice Consul Bremen.

Sir

The negotiation hitherto conducted at this city for the ratification of the treaty signed at Paris last winter between the Republic of Texas & the Hanse towns, were the day before yesterday brought to a temporary conclusion, by a note from his Excellency Syndicus Sieveking has requested the Undersigned to delay further action in the premises, until Affairs in the other Hemisphere especially in Mexico, had taken a more decided turn than they at present occupy — As the request was accompanied by an assurance that at no distant moment the negotiation would be resumed in the most favorable feeling, I felt determined to accede to the suggestion. I shall consequently leave this place for Berlin this evening, the object of my visit is to further [illegible] the communication with the [illegible] of the [illegible] the ratification of [illegible]

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This may carry me as far as Hanover— Should I leave Berlin for the latter place I shall duly inform you— I have the honor to remain &c &c—

Signed (W^m Henry Daingerfield)
Chargé d'Affaires
&c &c &c

Legation of Texas at the Hague
Berlin 26th January 1845

To C. H. Lake Esq^r Consul Genl
of Texas at London, No 15 Bishopsgate street.

My Dear Sir

I had the honor of addressing you last from Hanover on the 15th instant & of informing you that having brought the affair of the treaty with the Hanseatic cities to the only possible termination as long as the question of the annexation with the United States shall continue to [illegible] I had determined to visit this capital of Prussia.

In the absence of [illegible] who I perceive had not yet arrived in [illegible] it is my duty to keep you advised of what may interest the Republic of Texas in that quarter of the world [illegible] to inform you of my [illegible] having [illegible] the [illegible] instructions.

On my arrival here I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

From my conversations with this gentleman I became satisfied that Prussia though willing & ready to recognize the independence of Texas and to establish commercial and diplomatic relations with her, and such a recognition is of great importance as she stands at the head of the German Customs Union or Zoll Verein, would hesitate to do so as long as the question of annexation continued undecided. My only course therefore under these circumstances was to leave the question affair in the hands of Baron de Canitz whose good will I effectually cultivated and to request him to keep the question before the Prussian Cabinet until the question of annexation shall have been finally decided. This his Excellency has promised to do.

The Prince Frederick of Prussia having sent for me, His Royal Highness who is at the head of the Texan-German Emigration Association, conversed with me at great length on the affairs of the Republic in which he takes a deep interest. The result of this interview with his Royal Highness was a determination on my part to occupy the time which must intervene between the present moment and the decision of the question of annexation in visiting Germany for the purpose of conferring with the friends of the German Texan Emigration Society there and of propitiating the Austrian Government. I shall subsequently have the honor [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] receiving my communications for the [illegible] having any information which you may [illegible] [illegible] desired to communicate

communicate, a letter will reach me at Vienna where I shall remain all the Month of February — In case you should have any dispatches to forward to me at that place or even in that of private letters for yourself greater safety and certainty will be ensured by requesting to have it placed in the Ambassadors Bag a request which is always most readily complied with — I have the honor to remain, Yr most Obt Svt

(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires
&c &c &c &c

Hôtel de Russie Berlin
January 27th 1845. 10 O'clock A.M.

To His Excellency
Baron de Rönne

Sir

The departure of the train this morning at an earlier hour than I had anticipated, deprives me of the pleasure of calling at your Office to bid you adieu and to press upon your goodness, my strong desire, that you should at such times and under such circumstances as to your Excellency may seem most opportune bring the Texian question before the Supreme Cabinet, so that should the question of Annexation to the U. States be decided as it must be before the expiration of the Present Congress [illegible] as I sincerely [illegible] to trust it will, [illegible] [illegible] further [illegible] upon [illegible] with the full [illegible]

I had the honour to [illegible] my [illegible] with your
Excellency on that subject on Saturday being
at your Excellency's Mansion; your Ex-
cellency's thorough knowledge of every
thing American and consequently [illegible]
enabled you at once to see all the bear-
ings of this question and your goodness
induced you to say that you would
do any and every thing in your power.
I shall return to Berlin amply
confident as I shall have been able
to answer on the part of your Excellency an
interest in the affairs of our young State
and to ensure your Excellency's good
offices towards ~~and~~ us; your Excellency
will allow me to say that Texas
is perfectly independent, is organized
and stands on firm ground with a great
[illegible] and glorious
[illegible] before her; should your
Excellency's numerous & important
duties allow you the time I shall
be most happy to receive a letter
from you at [illegible] addressed
to the care of the [illegible] at
[illegible] where I shall remain
all the month of [illegible] these
circumstances [illegible] my return
to Berlin in the Spring. I have
the honour to remain your Ex-
cellency's most obliged and
very obedient
Servant

(Signed)

[illegible]
Chargé d'Affaires of the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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British Hotel Dublin
2d January 1845

To Mr George Mitchell
Consul of the United States
at Dublin

Sir

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas [illegible] regrets his absence since the British [illegible] at the [illegible] when Mr [illegible] or the American Consul [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Mr Mitchell [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] by the [illegible] [illegible] the Republic of Texas [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] Mr Mitchell [illegible] of American [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] January 20th 1845

Hon. Genl. Geo. W. Terrell
Charge d'Affaires of Texas
at London

My Dear [illegible]

Your [illegible] of the [illegible] ultimo reached me last night at [illegible] and I embrace the [illegible] of [illegible] to reply to you. It gave me great pleasure I [illegible] to hear from you and I am pleased to learn that you are under no [illegible] matters of things going wrong with you at home. I think your apprehensions are entirely groundless. I [illegible] of what has taken place since the last of October the time at which I left but I assure you that up to that time there was nothing wrong [illegible] so far as the Executive and Cabinet were concerned; on the contrary there was the utmost good feeling towards you personally and the most entire confidence [illegible] you as is believed [illegible] entertained by the President and members of the Cabinet. [illegible] that I have not given to [illegible] Speech and therefore [illegible] say that [illegible] could I [illegible] generally the subject of conversation between the Executive and Cabinet [illegible] there [illegible] the [illegible] formerly [illegible] by all [illegible] any [illegible] you at [illegible] been [illegible] entirely [illegible] effect [illegible] to defeat the [illegible]

by the Senate last winter, but [illegible] might
[illegible] however [illegible] against, [illegible] of-
fortunately out of [illegible] on account of the
[illegible]. As soon as I received this and in
accordance with your request I wrote
to General [illegible] that no ap-
propriation would be asked by the Presi-
dent to sustain your theory. Your [illegible]
[illegible] already, I see that [illegible] of
the Administration [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] I will take no [illegible]
in complying with your request
to the fullest extent and my [illegible]
[illegible] that they [illegible]
you [illegible]
so much for your [illegible]. Now to
[illegible] about the Country [illegible]
[illegible] and [illegible]
[illegible] see it [illegible]
and [illegible]
only be content to let [illegible] alone [illegible]
[illegible] be [illegible] along [illegible] but
~~that~~ any [illegible]
same [illegible] much the [illegible] of the
world [illegible]
[illegible]
~~that~~ there [illegible] will be [illegible]
[illegible] the [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible]
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[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]
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[illegible] the [illegible] of
the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] of [illegible] than the [illegible] of
the country [illegible] that they [illegible]
[illegible] country [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible] to be [illegible]
the national unity of [illegible] and that
all the sacrifices of [illegible]
the [illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] of the gallant [illegible] the [illegible]
fields, on the [illegible]
[illegible] the heights of [illegible]
were doomed [illegible]
[illegible] that [illegible]
destined to fall [illegible]
on the soil of [illegible]
of America, [illegible]
to be [illegible] the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] from the [illegible] of [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
the [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

[illegible] [illegible] I had [illegible] respecting [illegible] with [illegible] [illegible] on the [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] to him that the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] indifferent to [illegible] party but the Earl of Aberdeen in [illegible], after [illegible] to me a despatch just received from [illegible] Elliot in which [illegible] [illegible] extract from the written declaration of Mr [illegible], that Texas is ready to act in concert with England to the full extent the English Ministry propose to go on ~~the~~ the subject, and Lord Aberdeen proposed that France & England [illegible] with [illegible] sign a Diplomatic Act in which the ~~the~~ ~~Powers~~ [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] guarantee the independence of Texas [illegible] [illegible] from Mexico upon the sole condition that Texas shall pledge herself [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible], and [illegible] [illegible] to me with [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] She will remain an independent nation [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the United [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] Texas [illegible]

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territory in question — this is enough — he has admitted the principle and [illegible] the balance before long if he is not overthrown which I think probable — I write you these things of course in strictest confidence. I [illegible] not your sentiments on the subject of annexation, but I know [illegible] (change) [illegible] and that is sufficient for me to know that any deposit with him is safe. I will be glad to hear from you constantly. Your friend [illegible]
(Signed) G. W. [illegible]

Legation of Texas at the [illegible]
[illegible] of the [illegible]
[illegible] 5th February 1845

To Genl [illegible] W. [illegible]
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at London!!

My dear [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible] of date the 21st January in answer to yours of the 14th [illegible] the receipt [illegible] the day after my arrival (yesterday). By my letter of [illegible] the 26th [illegible] to the [illegible] you will have learned that [illegible] the pendency of the question of annexation [illegible] immediate action by the Provisional government. I was forced to [illegible] my [illegible] at that [illegible] to the [illegible] of the question [illegible] until my [illegible] instructions [illegible] the [illegible] of his Majesty the King of Prussia; and that in this through the Agency of him, than by any direct and personal efforts. In accomplishing that I had the good fortune to secure the very active & efficient aid of his Excellency Baron de Rönne of the Ministry and President of the Chamber of Commerce; the long residence of this gentleman in the United States of America as Prussian Minister at Washington enabling him fully and at once to understand all the bearings of the question; no doubt whatever exists that if the project of annexation should fail at the present session of the Congress of the U.S. Prussia will at once recognize Texas and consequently grant the usual exequaturs to such Consuls as may be appointed in her various cities and sea Ports — at the present moment when so lively an interest exists throughout all Germany on the subject of Texas it is of infinite importance that men of high character and respectability alone be appointed Consuls, in order that the numerous inquiries made with regard to the condition, resources, soil, climate &c may be properly responded to. Apart from this consideration, the Power and the influence of Prussia in a strictly diplomatic point of view is not to be neglected, standing as she does at the head of the Germanic Customs Union or Zoll-Verein, her good will in a commercial ~~and~~ point of view is equal to none on the Continent of Europe. By virtue of this [illegible] in the Zoll-Verein, the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] all that part of the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] great [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and having [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]. Other [illegible] [illegible] of the [illegible] [illegible] of Mexico be added that [illegible] Texas will have [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] advantageously [illegible] [illegible] to give [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible] of capital and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] by [illegible] employment [illegible] [illegible] occupied lands in settling and occupying them and causing the desert to blossom like the rose [illegible] the great [illegible] by population and cultivation, my whole study and labour has been directed since I first landed on the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] towards the [illegible] of Texas [illegible] [illegible] thousands I have spent [illegible] myself neither [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] expense for the advancement of these objects I have not hesitated to take long journeys at the most inclement season of the year [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] and otherwise [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] have been [illegible] in the most [illegible] [illegible] manner and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] but to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] through [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]

[illegible]

great pleasure avails himself of this occasion to offer to Mr Daingerfield the assurance of the distinguished consideration with which he has the honour to be.

His most obedt & faithful Servant

(Signed) Ebn Allen

Mayence 25th January 1845

My Dear Colonel

It is with uncommon satisfaction that I follow your desire to address you some lines to Berlin; if you have the opportunity to converse with the Ministry pray give them some notions of your fine country in order to heighten their ideas about it, and above all try to persuade Prince Charles that it is a great deal better and wholesome for the German Emigrants to go to Texas, than to the Honduras Colony on the Musquito Shore; Unhappily for me I can by no means leave this Place or else I would have the pleasure to join you at Vienna, but I hope you will do me the favour to continue your correspondence with me and put me au fait of every thing concerning your Country— Till now we have no other news of Texas & Prince Solms than that already mentioned in my letter of the 28th November, but I hope that our affairs are going well, and so wish you likewise the fulfillment of your wishes & believe me dear Sir

truly yours

(Signed) Charles Count of Castell.

N.B. I received the above letter in Vienna on the ninth of February 1845 and in my answer I regretted that Count Cas-

Castelli to contradict in the most explicit terms and in my name the statements made in the journals of Frankfort in the early part of January tending to the injury of Texas — This was accordingly done by a letter in the same journals addressed to the Editor by Mr Hermann Flersheim Banker to the German Association at Frankfort — See Journal de Franckfort No 81 — Saturday 22nd March 1845

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Washington Texas 20 Jany 45

Mon cher Colonel

Votre lettre datée de Hamburg le 27 Novembre, a eu la bonne fortune de me parvenir ici le 14 de ce mois; Mu par la bonne amitié que je vous porte je me suis mis à l'œuvre pour vous malgré mes bien nombreuses occupations; Le résultat de mes combinaisons m'autorise à vous dire que le Président est disposé à vous être favorable dans ce sens, que si le Sénat refuse de reconnaître la nomination de Genl Terrell. (Ce qui est probable) vous serez compris pour la France dans les nouveaux arrangements qui se feront — Au contraire la nomination étant confirmée il voudra au moyen de vous être agréable & accueilli avec bonté mes propositions à cet effet; Tout me porte à croire que je serai heureux dans cette négociation que j'ai conduite pour vous avec le zèle de l'amitié, il n'est [illegible] pas encore arrivé le paquet [illegible] du 27 Nov de Novembre [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

N.B. 4 days after this letter, viz the 24th January — Terrell was rejected by the Senate and of Course I expected the nomination to France — (vide Terrell's letter page 134 —

[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] to [illegible] of the President; the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]; the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] (Signed) [illegible]

Paris March 22. 1845

My Dear [illegible]

Since this day received your two letters from [illegible], forwarded to me by [illegible] of London; I am glad at all times to hear from you and especially to learn as I [illegible] from [illegible] that you have [illegible] good [illegible] with [illegible] as wherever you have gone. I am [illegible] that you have any friends who [illegible] at this [illegible] more [illegible] than I [illegible]. I greatly [illegible] that I should have the pleasure of seeing you this spring and that together we could have [illegible] [illegible] for the advantage of [illegible] but alas [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the [illegible] all [illegible] [illegible] are so [illegible] on the [illegible] [illegible], that [illegible] much [illegible] it will carry. [illegible] the [illegible] of [illegible]. It has not only [illegible] [illegible] my [illegible] on the [illegible] has [illegible] been [illegible] and it has taken off my [illegible] heads and [illegible] also. I see by the papers [illegible] it has not yet been announced to me by the government that on the 24th [illegible] both [illegible] and myself [illegible] by the Senate; the opposition to [illegible] the cause [illegible]; [illegible] that I do not feel this [illegible] and that [illegible] would be [illegible] opposition [illegible] [illegible] I do [illegible] feel [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] friends as Minister Resid &c. by [illegible] is a matter of no consequence with me - for [illegible] [illegible] it was my intention and I so informed your friend Burgwyn nearly a month ago to him officially, yet the Senate have, as I supposed it would be agreeable to you and I could care nothing about it; But to be rejected by the Senate a body in which I did not think that a single enemy is really very mortifying to my pride; It is no more however than has happened to others and much greater men than myself Genl Albert Gallatin, Martin Van Buren and others. I shall submit to it with all the Philosophy I can command, and even if I am to suffer political martyrdom for my opposition to the doctrine of National annihilation I shall go to the stake with as much resignation as Old Polycarp did for his religion; I cannot yet tell when I shall leave or what I shall have to do before leaving, until I receive despatches from home; if I have any money to spare, my present intention is to come and see you before going as I should like much to see that country. I shall be hard run to get back home unless the Congress in their great liberality have made some provision for me, else you welcome over to London; I shall go there as soon as I receive despatches from Government. I will write you again when I get the news of the final action of the [illegible] of consequence [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] I think [illegible] the leading [illegible]

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sentiments, and your [illegible] slavery & the [illegible]
will be Secretary of War, the Navy would be
formally upon, there will be others. I
throughout the almost entire Diplomatic
corps in Europe; you would discover
well whom they are [illegible]. I do not
know one except [illegible] who is
an old personal friend of the President
who will, [illegible] be sent
to England, & he would perhaps be the
most unacceptable man of the British
Cabinet they could send. You wish to
know what is the present condition of Ann-
exation in Texas. It is virtually dead,
dead as it was possible for Legislation
to kill it; but it also the consequence of
the [illegible] annexation excitement
by the [illegible] of anti-annexationists, by
a jealousy of foreign influence. The views
of the people were [illegible] made to believe
that the foreigners wished to get a foot-
hold in the country for the purpose of abo-
lishing Slavery if not of overthrowing the
institutions of the Country. You have
no doubt seen the Act which was made
at the duty of the Attorney General to report
the condition of all these Contracts, and
declared all forfeited the conditions of
which were not strictly complied with,
and which also repealed all laws giving
to the President power to make or renew
contracts. The late Congress adjourned
to the [illegible] an extension of time in con-
sequence of this excitement [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

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When R. Smith [illegible] your Packet with [illegible]
during the Session — Write to meet this
place if you get this immediately if not
direct to London — yr sincere friend

G. W. Terrell

My kindest regards to [illegible] I like
him much when in Texas —

Antwerp 19th March 1845

My dear Sir

Yours of the 9th inst just received; I am glad to observe your views on this turn of the Annexation question; we have been following up with interest its progress & failure through both Houses and there is no doubt that after it will be entirely removed we shall be able to resume our interesting success fully and get the Belgian govt forthwith to come to a recognition of Texas; you may rest assured that I have never lost sight of this object and that all our friends are ready to enter the field again at the proper time; according to yr request I forward this & the enclosed letter from [illegible] the U S received the 13th to the care of the legation of U States at Vienna —

Believe me yrs most truly

(Signed) Max Vanden Bergh

Vienna 1st July 1845

Ashbel Smith Esq
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at London

My dear Smith

I wrote to you on the
ninth of last month (Paris) [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] No 15

Bishop Gate Street - To that letter as yet I have received no answer - The near approach of the period when I am under a promise to give to the Honble Senate of Hamburgh a definite answer on the question of Annexation by which their course with reference to our treaty will be determined, naturally renders me exceedingly anxious to hear something from some authorised Agent of the Texan Government, as to the probable result of that question; so that in case I shall not by the end of the present Month ~~be able~~ (the time agreed upon with the Honble Senate) to speak definitely, I may at least be able to say something which shall have a better foundation than the mere rumours and reports of the miserable American journals - You may remember that I kept you advised up to the very moment of your departure from England for the U.S. of the uneasy attitude which Texan affairs had assumed in the North of Europe & of the manifest scheme which had been concocted at Hamburgh to drive me from the favourable position which after great labour I had succeeded in establishing for Texas, with the Hansetique cities; your answer to that letter written the very day of your departure from England for Texas assured me that you would duly lay before the Govt at Home the position in which I was placed & you were pleased to say that you would not fail duly to represent to the Texan Government the efforts I had made & the success I had obtained in the cause of the Country; after your departure from Europe, I succeeded in obtaining despatch of the [illegible] at Hamburg by a special the ratification by the Senate of Bremen. This ratification I sent home in December last by Mr Klaener, Consul for the Port of Bremen at Galveston, under the treaty. No acknowledgement of its reception by the Texan Gov't has ever been sent to me — I wrote to the actual President & to the Ex President of the Republic; No answer!! — On hearing of your appointment as Secretary of State of Texas, I was sure that the embarrassment of my position would be removed — I was sure that you were so well acquainted with all these matters would give me your views on them — But my communications from the Government of Texas, have been solely restricted to a communication from the acting Secretary of State of Texas of the Election of President Jones and of the formation of the new Cabinet — In the absence of ~~y~~ a Chargé d'Affairs at London I communicated regularly with Mr Bate the Consul Genl at London & on the arrival of Genl Terrell with him; I in my letters informed them both that I had determined to go to Berlin as I saw from a conversation I had with the Secretary of State at Hamburgh that nothing could be done by remaining longer there, but that by beginning to open negotiations with the Zoll-Verein, the feelings of the Senate would be awakened — this I accordingly did. The passage of the Law of the Congress of the U S for the annexation of Texas arrested me on the [illegible] of these [illegible]. I then determined to await [illegible] from all the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] communication the present [illegible] of the question of annexation, and [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

× N.B. Mr Charles Elliot then in London, from whom by due course of Mail I rec^d an answer stating that my letter had reached Mr Smith then — from Mr Smith his answer never reached me.

abiding its result; In this course I was guided by the opinion that with me it was a paramount duty to maintain unqualifiedly the separate nationality of our country up to the moment when I was informed officially that that nationality had ceased to exist; Of the correctness of this determination I am fully satisfied, not only by mature reflexion but by the concurring opinion of those in whose sound judgment & intelligence I have the greatest confidence — The news from America justifies our entertaining the opinion that the Texan Congress will agree to the plan of annexation proposed by the United States; In that event it is not so that all our foreign relations cease and are at an end — That is the better opinion on this head; But be that as it may a decent respect for the courtesies of life requires that the fact should be officially communicated to the Governments of those countries who have honoured us with their recognition and countenance during the period of our national existence; Such seems to me emphatically the case with reference to Holland which was the earliest of our friends — I think that they should be reminded of that at home where they are of course not so precise in these matters; I pray you on the receipt of this write to me and give me your ideas at large on the various topics of this letter. I send this per Mr Elliot to a London friend who will hand it to you in person or see that you get it — I have great confidence in your opinions and therefore desire to have them as early as possible; I shall await here [illegible] [illegible] you to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

the subject of Annexation, I remain very sincerely your friend & Obt Svt
(Signed) Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at the Hague

Legation of Texas at the Hague
Vienna 1st July 1845

To the Honble Secretary of State
of Texas
N. 13. Sir

It is now some six mths since the Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas at the Hague has received any communication from the State Department – The communication referred to dated Washington Texas 9th December 1844 was simply an announcement of the Cabinet appointments under President Jones – The Undersigned finding himself without any other instructions than those general ones with which he was furnished at the commencement of his mission, which urged upon him the negotiation of a treaty with Belgium and the Hanse Towns and directed him to keep the Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic at London & Paris advised of all his movements, bent all his efforts to the accomplishment of these two objects and commenced negotiations with the [illegible] [illegible] Count [illegible] ~~to the~~ [illegible] separate from England [illegible] Geo. B. Smith this [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

N 13 Enclosed to the Care of the Honble D. Jenifer Minister of the United States of America at Vienna & by him forwarded by Steamer of 19th July –

knowing the very peculiar & interesting attitude which the treaty negotiated by the Undersigned with the Hanseatic Towns had assumed; At the same time he communicated directly to his Excellency the President the fact that Mexico & as the Undersigned believed one or more European Powers were endeavoring to render abortive the treaty refered to by preventing its confirmation by the Senates of the Hanseatic cities, and that an attempt was then made to drive the Undersigned from the very favorable position which he had established with those cities — He further informed the Representative of the Republic of Texas at London & Paris that in despite of these efforts he had succeeded in obtaining from the Senate of Bremen a confirmation of the treaty and that he had sent the same to Texas by Mr Klaener who left Bremen in the month of December 1844 as Consul for that City at the Port of Galveston — That he had obtained from the Secretary of State of the city of Hamburg an implied promise under date the 13th of January 1845, that if the affairs of Texas continued in their attitude which they then occupied, that the Senate of Hamburg would in a reasonable time confirm the treaty also; That the Undersigned under that attitude of Affairs had deemed it of the greatest importance that the good will of the Zoll-Verein or German Customs Union towards the Republic of Texas should be conciliated not only with reference to future Commercial relations, but as having an important bearing on the Hanseatic Confirmation of the treaty in question that the Undersigned had to engage the opinion.

repaired to the Court of Prussia the head of the Germanic Customs Union, and that he had there put himself in communi=cation with the President of the depart of Commerce Baron de Ronne and with his Royal Highness Prince Frederick of Prussia, that the Result of these interviews was highly satisfactory that having done this he next repaired to the Court of Austria with ~~the~~ similar views and intentions and that he had been arrested in his plan of operations by the passage of the Law of the Congress of the United States for the annexation of Texas which placed the future condition of the Republic in so doubtful an attitude as to render impossible any movement whatever - The undersigned finding himself in this position deemed it due to the honour of the country he represented not to present himself either at the bar of the Senate of Hamburg or at the Court of Belgium until the doubtful and embarrassing question of annexation or entirely separate and independent existence on the part of the Republic he represented should have been finally determined.

Now all that the undersigned can now [illegible] is certainly no doubt that by this time the People of Texas have determined by vote in the [illegible] of their [illegible] to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] of the great [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] the undersigned [illegible] in the hands of the Hon'ble Secretary of State instructions as to the manner in which this fact shall be communicated to the Governments to which the Undersigned is accredited; a decent regard for public opinion, and proper sense of gratitude towards those governments which have held out the hand of friendship and recognition to the Republic of Texas would seem to require ~~that~~ a particular and formal announcement of the fact that the nationality which they so kindly and frankly acknowledged has for motives of paramount public good ceased to exist. The Undersigned would therefore respectfully request that the Secretary of State forward to him at the Hague to the care of the American Legation there instructions not only on this head but further as to what disposition must be made of the archives of the Legation at the Hague Brussels and the Hanse towns now in his possession for safe keeping. The Undersigned has delayed this communication until the convocation of the Texan Congress, deeming it probable that the question of annexation would speedily be disposed of, and further until a safe opportunity offered by the departure of a special Courier to the Government of the United States had held; but the certainty that this communication will reach the hands of the Hon. Secretary of State without being subjected to that prying and dishonourable violation from which communications [illegible] are [illegible] guarded by the [illegible] [illegible] of the Public [illegible] at all times

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except — The Undersigned avails himself of this occasion to express the sentiments of distinguished consideration with which he has the honour to remain the Hon. Secretary of State Most Obt. Svt.

(Signed) A. Henry Dangerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at the Hague, Belgium &
the Hanse Towns

Bremen 26th August 1845—

To his Magnificence Burgomaster
Smidt President of the Senate
of the Free City of Bremen

Your Magnificence

The Undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas near the Court of his Majesty the King of Holland has the honour to enclose herewith to his Magnificence Burgomaster Smidt President of the Senate of the Free City of Bremen, the accompanying letters of credence from the Republic of Texas accrediting the Undersigned as Chargé d'Affaires to said Republic near the Government of the free Hanseatic City of Bremen; a copy of which letters was presented to his Excellency the Minister Rumpff, Minister Resident of the Hanseatic Cities at Paris in the month of April 1844 and the Undersigned deeply regrets that unavoidable circumstances have up to the present moment prevented his personally having ~~the~~ [illegible] the honour of being presented to the dignified and honourable Senate of the Free City of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible] Senate [illegible] of the High [illegible] of the free city of Bremen the [illegible] the [illegible] the honor to remain [illegible]

(Signed.) William Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires &c.

Der unterzeichnete Bürgermeister und Chef der Commission des Senats für die auswärtigen Angelegenheiten hat die Ehre gehabt, mit der Note Seiner Hochwohlgeboren des Herrn [illegible] Daingerfield vom [illegible] das Original seines Beglaubigungs-Schreibens als Geschäftsträger der Republik Texas bei dem Senate der freien Hansestadt Bremen d.d. Washington den 15ten Februar 18[illegible] zu empfangen, und beeilt sich demselben dafür seinen verbindlichen Dank zu bezeugen.

Die freundschaftlichen Gesinnungen der Regierung von Texas gegen den Bremischen Freistaat, welche sich in diesem Schreiben ausgesprochen finden, sind dem Senate angenehm [illegible] zu vernehmen gewesen. Er sieht darin eine erneute Erwiederung des lebhaften Interesses welches Bremen von jeher der Wohlfahrt des Texanischen Volkes gewidmet hat [illegible] angeknüpften Bande der zwischen beiden Staaten [illegible]

[illegible]

Bremen 29th August 1845

To Mess. [illegible]
and [illegible]
of Texas at Bremen

Sir

The undersigned Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas to the Court of Holland [illegible] to acknowledge the receipt of the note you did him the honor to address him [illegible]

[illegible]

sion of the Congress, of the United. The Texas Council having a member of the Union confederacy, during the Month of December next on the first Monday of which meets the Congress of the United. They will meet at Washington and in the course of the session of its session decide upon the admission of Texas into the Union. Upon such admission it is to be supposed that in accordance with the custom and usage established among civilized nations in such cases due notice will be given by the government of the U S by its diplomatic and commercial representatives abroad to all those whom this change may in any manner interest. From the moment of such notice having been given the Laws of the Congress of the United States will regulate the foreign commerce of the State of Texas as it does that of every other State of the Union; Before that time it seems to me clear that no Law of the Congress of the United States can in any manner be applicable to the commerce of Texas and that consequently the merchants of Bremen have nothing to apprehend on that score. I avail myself of the present occasion to express the high consideration with which I have the honor to remain Sir

Yr Most obedt Svt
Wm Henry Daingerfield
Chargé d'Affaires of Texas
at the Hague and to the
Hanse Towns,
Bremen 29th Augt 1845

To
Mr [illegible]
[illegible]

Hamburg. 1st October 1845

To His Excellency
Syndicus Sieveking

Col Daingerfield requests His Excellency Syndicus Sieveking to grant him the Honour of a few moments Conversation — at as early a period as may suit His Excellency's Convenience —

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The interview desired in the above note was granted by His Excellency on the same day at the Rath or Senate House at Hamburgh — The minutes of the Conversation then had were that although the due official information of the Annexation of Texas had not yet reached Col Daingerfield yet he had no doubt that it would be consummated — That Col Daingerfield expected daily orders from his Government to close the diplomatic relations existing between the Republic of Texas and the Hamburgh Cities which he should immediately communicate to His Excellency & through him to the Senate of Hamburgh — In the mean time Col Daingerfield's departure for London should be considered, as in no manner [illegible] in respect to the Commercial Relations of Hamburgh, and that any further communication given the Government of Texas to the Senate of Hamburgh might be forwarded from [illegible] directly.

In pursuance of the conversation had with Syndicus Sieveking, the Minister of Foreign Affairs for the City of Hamburgh as detailed in the memorandum on page 149 of this Book The Undersigned took his departure from Hamburgh for London on the 13th of October 1845; On arriving in London the Undersigned had an interview with [illegible] Mr [illegible] Consul General of the Republic of Texas and learned from him that the diplomatic relations between the Republic of Texas and the Government of her Majesty the Queen of Great Britain were considered as closed.

Not finding in London the despatches which he expected from the Government of Texas the Undersigned took his departure from Liverpool on the 4th of November 1845 on Board the Steam Ship Britannia for Boston and proceeding to Texas reached the City of Galveston on Saturday the 17th day of January 1846—

W. Henry Daingerfield
&c &c &c &c

City of Austin 2nd February 18

To the Hon. E Allen
Secretary of State

The Undersigned late Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas to the Kingdoms of Holland and Belgium and the Free Hanseatic City of Hamburgh Bremen & Lubeck has the honour to report to the Hon. E Allen Secretary of State of Texas that

-lic of Texas his arrival at the Seat of Government and herewith to transmit to the Hon. Secretary of State the Archives of the Mission entrusted to his Charge.

The Under-signed avails himself of this occasion to express to the Hon. Secretary of State the sentiments of high Consideration with which he has remained the Hon. Secretary's

Most Obedient
Servant
Wm Henry Daingerfield
late Chargé d'affaires
&c &c &c &c

Bremen 27 August 1845.

His Excellency Colonel Wm Henry Daingerfield Esqr.
Chargé d'Affaires of the Republic of Texas for the Court of
Holland and the Hanseatic Towns

Sir!

You allow me to request You, to give me your opinion and decision on the following Affair.

At Your stay at Mainz, You will have been informed, that the Association for the Protection of Emigrants to Texas under the Direction of the honorable Count Castell at Mainz, are about to despatch this Autumn several Companies of Emigrants to Galveston Texas by the Way of Bremen, which Expeditions have been prepared since the month of April to take place from the latter end of August to the end of December.

When by the reports in public papers, it was known here, the Congress of Texas had pronounced the Annexation of the Republic of Texas to the United States, the Owners of Vessels at our Port who did offer to employ for the Vessels with Emigrants to Galveston were afraid for an entry at the Consulate [illegible] officially, [illegible] [illegible] the line of the United States [illegible] be employed on the [illegible] Vessels [illegible] [illegible] lic of Texas would continue for the time in which Vessels dispatch'd from here to Texas in the course of this fall.

When I have not hesitated to answer to the Owners, that according to the laws of nations it could not be doubtable the laws of the Republic of Texas to continue, untill the Annexation of the same in the United States was officially declared by the Congresses of both Lands and such declaration be known here in Europe not withstanding many of the Owners hesitate to charter their Vessels for fear that they could have inconveniences by carring passengers to Galveston Texas, above the number which the laws of the United States allow.

You would extremely oblige me by the execution of a note in which You would be kind enough to give me Your valuable Opinion on this Subject.

With the greatest Esteem
I remain
Sir.
Your most obed.t humble servant
J. [illegible]
in absence of Mr. Wm. [illegible]
Vice Consul of Texas for Bremen.

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